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BERLIN FEARS HESS WILL DIVULGE WAR SECRETS TO BRITAIN

Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, MAY 13 (UP).—AUTHORISED GERMAN QUARTERS TO-DAY ANTICIPATED THE POSSIBILITY THAT HESS MAY MAKE PUBLIC STATEMENTS AND DECLARED: "WE SHALL NOT RECOGNIZE ANY UTTERANCE HESS MAY MAKE IN ENGLAND. WE KNOW THE BRITISH WILL MAKE EVERY CRUDE MIS-USE OF THIS SITUATION. WHO KNOWS BY WHAT UGLY MEANS SOME SORT OF CONFESSION MAY BE EXTRACTED FROM HIM. WE CANNOT EVEN KNOW IF HE ACTUALLY MAKES ANY STATEMENTS WHICH MAY BE CREDITED TO HIM."

Hess Escaped To 'Save Humanity'

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 13 (UP).—Rudolf Hess fled to England with a fanatical desire to "save humanity" from the tragedy of a full Russo-German partnership, British quarters declared to-day.

HOME GUARDS' STORY OF TALK WITH HESS

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—During his stay at the McLean farmhouse, Rudolf Hess was in the custody of two British Home Guards, Jack Peterson and Robert Gibson, it is now revealed.

The Guards declared that Hess said: "I had no bombs in my plane, so don't worry." He had a map on which his route from Augsburg to Scotland was marked in blue pencil.

Hess said that he had never been in Britain before, but did not seem to be at all worried.

"He was the calmest man in the party," one of the Guards continued. "When offered a cigarette, he said that he did not smoke. He was surprised to find that we had plenty of milk and drank half a glassful."

"He complained that he felt somewhat cramped after being in the plane so long and that his ankle was very painful."

"He had a camera strapped round his neck but assured us that he had not taken any photos."

A Souvenir

Before leaving the farm, Hess thanked the Home Guards for their kindness and presented one of them with a drinking cup as a souvenir.

A collection of compressed food was found on him by his military escort. He told them that he had fitted an extra petrol tank to the plane to ensure that it would cover the journey and dropped the extra tank into the sea as he approached the Scottish coast.

Hess circled for a long time over the spot where he landed but in the gathering darkness he could not find a suitable landing place. He then climbed several thousand feet, threw the plane over on its back and switched off the engine. Just as he was falling out of the upturned machine, he again switched on the engine and sent the plane hurtling to earth while he himself fell clear.

This sensational theory was advanced after it had been disclosed that the Hess plane was riddled with Spitfire bullets. It is reported that Hess' first words were "I have come to save humanity."

Doctors said that Hess is wholly sane and that he did not bring any peace proposals or other messages from Hitler or the Nazi Party.

Core Is Rotten

Authoritative quarters declared that Hess left his wife and child and escaped the Nazis "because the core of Germany is rotten."

Another fantastic phase of the war's greatest sensation developed with the revelation that the Duke of Hamilton, on whose estate Hess landed, belonged to the now proscribed Anglo-German Fellowship Association.

Hess is believed to have met the Duke while the latter was engaged on the Mount Everest flying expedition in which Hess was also interested. The Duke of Hamilton is reported to be serving abroad with the R.A.F.

One responsible person remarked, "Hess appears to have got religion."

Beaverbrook's New Job

On Defence Committee

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Lord Beaverbrook's functions and constitutional status were further defined by Mr Winston Churchill in the House of Commons to-day.

The Cabinet Defence Committee will work in two sections—operations and supply. Mr Clement Attlee will be Deputy Chairman of the former and Lord Beaverbrook of the latter. Lord Beaverbrook will also act as referee on majority questions.

Roosevelt Pays Visit To Crete

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—Captain James Roosevelt, eldest son of President Roosevelt, has returned from a short visit to Crete where he delivered to the King of the Hellenes a letter from his father.

Nazis' No. 1 Diplomatic Intriguer In Ankara

ANKARA, May 13 (Reuter).—The German Ambassador, Herr Franz von Papen, whose return from Germany where he had been having consultations with Nazi leaders had been expected for some time, arrived in Ankara this evening.

He came by air from Salzburg where, according to German sources, he saw Hitler yesterday.

Herr von Papen was accompanied by his wife and daughter. Carrying a yellow cane and a black hat, Herr von Papen looked like a fashion plate when he stepped from his aeroplane.

Satellite's Greeting
Axis diplomats rushed to greet him, the Hungarian Minister reminding

Nazi Party Statement On Hess Trap By British Suggested

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Nazi Party's "explanation" of Hess' flight to Scotland is now issued in the Party bulletin which declares:

"A perusal of the papers left behind by Hess discloses that he laboured under the delusion that a plan taken on his personal initiative with Englishmen whom he formerly knew would lead to an understanding being reached between Germany and Britain."

"He has actually, as has been confirmed by a report from London, landed in Scotland by parachute near a place he wished to visit and was presumably picked up there injured."

"Rudolf Hess, as was known to the Party, for years suffered increasingly in a physical sense and took refuge in various forms of hypnosis, astrology, etc. Attempts to elucidate to what extent these people are to blame for causing Hess' mental disturbance, which led him to take this step, are being made."

Trap By British

"It is also conceivable that Hess in the end was led into a trap by the British."

"The whole manner of his action confirms, however, the fact already given in the first report, that he suffered from delusions. He better than any one else knew of the many peace offers made by the Fuehrer which came from the bottom of his heart. Apparently he laboured under an impression that by personal sacrifice he could prevent a development which, in his eyes, would only

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Malta Holds Off Raiders

Negligible Damage

MALTA, May 13 (Reuter).—Successful attacks were made on Malta last night by Axis aircraft with little success.

A British communiqué says that despite a number of bombs dropped, there were no service or civilian casualties and almost negligible civilian damage was done.

This morning the attacks were followed up by escorted reconnaissance planes and this afternoon a small bomber formation, escorted by a large number of fighters, dropped bombs, causing little damage.

Patrolling Hurricanes engaged the enemy fighters and some of these were seen to be damaged.

Late Claims Add To Nazi Air Losses

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—"There has been very slight enemy air activity to-day and there are no reports of any bombs dropped," says an Air Ministry communiqué.

Activity was in the coastal areas, mainly in the southwest. One enemy aircraft was shot down into the sea by fighters.

It is now known that the total of enemy aircraft destroyed in daylight on Thursday, May 8, was 15, an extra one having been claimed by the ground defences at a searchlight station.

The destruction of three more enemy aircraft on the night of May 11—now confirmed—making the total of 18.

Berlin Reactions

STOCKHOLM, May 13 (Reuter).—Berlin is anxiously waiting to learn what revelations Hess will make to the British authorities, according to information reaching the neutral press.

Berlin is insisting that Hess was progressively being relieved of his responsibilities and is attempting to stress the "tragedy" of his case.

It is also said that his flight lacks internal or external significance.

In Stockholm, it is thought that executions may now occur but if only imprisonments, then the whole affair will appear a clever trick on the part of the Nazis.

It is thought that Hess' farewell letter "will not be made public, but an official communiqué may shortly be expected."

Tired But Comfortable

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Rudolf Hess is in bed in a hospital and gave for tiredness is comfortable and in good spirits, it is authoritatively stated in London.

The Deputy Fuehrer has been issued with pyjamas and army equipment such as tooth brush, etc.

Though suffering pain from his injured ankle, Hess is quite well. A British officer is on guard looking after him, and Hess spends most of his time resting, doing and reading mainly an English geographical magazine.

He has been given some novels and writing paper, pencils and ink, and is writing quite a lot.

He is receiving the usual hospital food, such as boiled chicken and rice for lunch.

Hess conveyed the impression to Mr Ivone Kirkpatrick, the Foreign Office official, that he was not having so much outdoor exercise as formerly and that he was spending much time in office work.

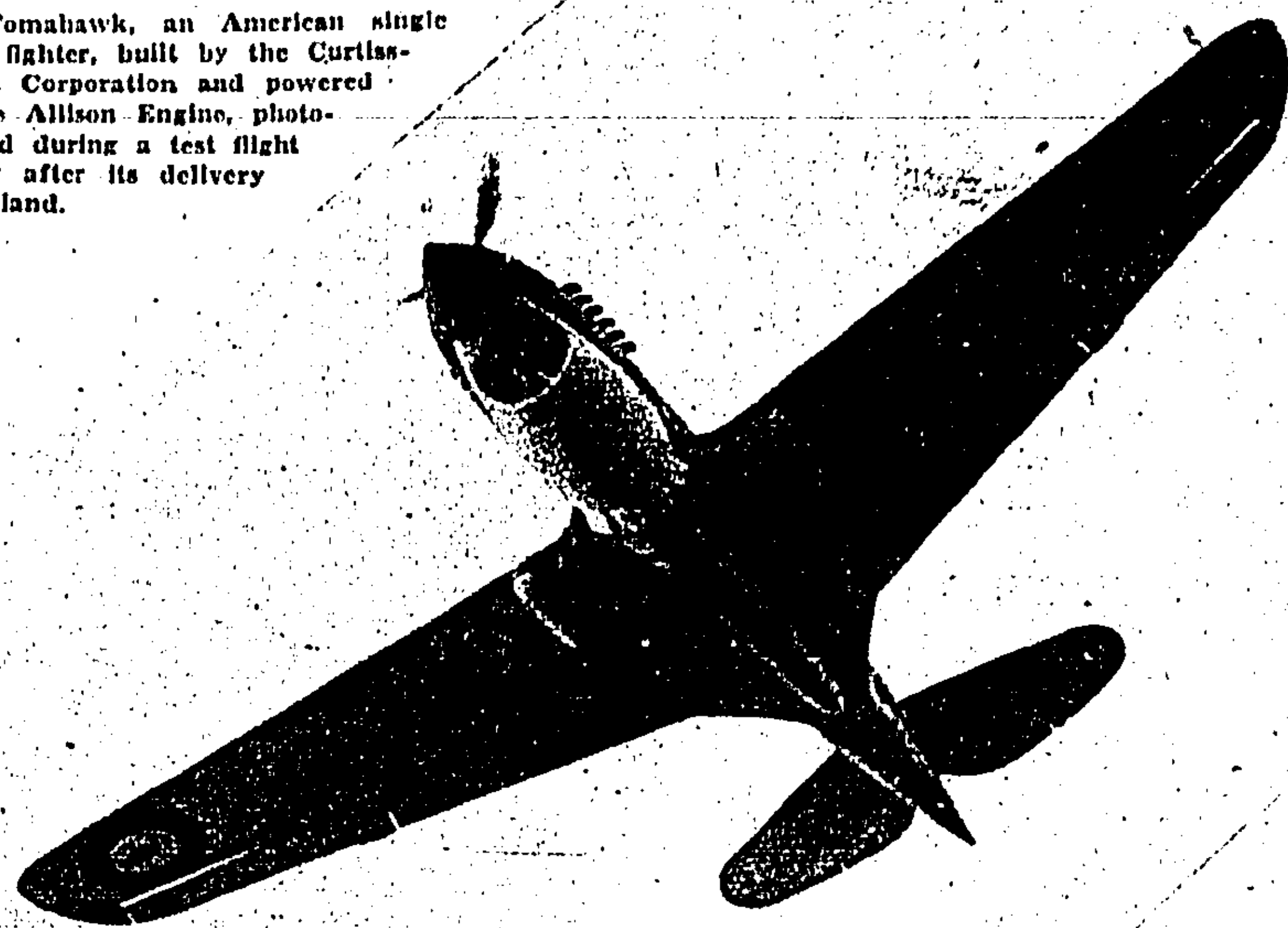
His tiredness is understandable, considering that he carried out a remarkable 900 miles flight, landing in the dark at the end and parachuting for the first time in his life nor had he flown a Messerschmitt 110 before.

Premier Promises Statement.
LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—"Obviously a further statement will

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American Aid For Britain

The Tomahawk, an American single seater fighter, built by the Curtiss-Wright Corporation and powered by one Allison Engine, photographed during a test flight shortly after its delivery to England.



Mass Air Attacks On Fleet In Moonlit Mediterranean Fail

("Reuter's" Correspondent With the Mediterranean Fleet)

ABOARD H.M.S. BARHAM, May 13 (Reuter).—How more than 30 warships beat off an attempt by enemy aircraft to turn the "Taranto" story on the British battle fleet while steaming in the Central Mediterranean, can now be told.

No damage was sustained by any British ship in this engagement which was briefly reported in the Admiralty communiqué on Saturday. The encounter produced the heaviest and most spectacular night barrage I have yet seen, with the firing continuing almost ceaselessly for forty-five minutes against enemy torpedo bombers.

2,000,000 Tons of Ships For Britain Next Month

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP).—Informed circles to-day stated that the President's goal of 2,000,000 tons of shipping for immediate service to Britain will be reached in mid-June.

ABYSSINIA Italians Come In Out Of The Rain

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—British operations in Amba Alagi area, Abyssinia, are continuing to develop satisfactorily and British troops, advancing on the town, have captured a further 200 Italians, according to a G.H.Q. communiqué.

In the south, despite heavy rains, the Imperial forces are continuing to advance in all areas.

In the lake district south of Addis Ababa, Imperial troops have successfully assaulted an enemy position, inflicting heavy casualties and capturing 13 Italian and 143 African prisoners.

Peer In Group Wiped Out By Bomb

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire was killed by a bomb on Monday night together with his secretary and five other people.

The Earl, who had a colourful career, succeeded to the title at the age of 11. Since then he had been a Guards Officer, an apprentice in the mercantile marine and a farm hand in Australia.

At the outbreak of war, he became a Liaison Officer for the Scientific Department in France.

SIMLA, May 13 (Reuter).—The Indian Army, it is announced, will have shorter bayonets, which are found to be more effective in patrol work.

War In Libya At Standstill

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—In Libya, no change is reported in the situation at Tobruk.

In the Sollum area, the enemy carried out reconnaissance in force, advancing eastwards in five small columns. When met by advancing elements of the Imperial forces in the area west and south of Sofafi, the enemy turned back.

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Mr Winston Churchill had an audience of the King to-day.

Labour Party Scores Big Gains In N.S.W.

SYDNEY, May 13 (Reuter).—In consequence of a heavy swing to Labour manifested in the New South Wales elections, supporters of Dr Herbert Evatt, the Labour member of the Advisory War Council, consider that his position has been strengthened in Federal politics.

Future developments depend largely on the result of the Federal by-election at Boothby, South Australia.

A win for Labour will be immediately followed by a demand for the resignation of the Commonwealth Government.

The Labour leader, Mr John Curtin declared: "Victory will be a

The full moon was some 20 degrees above the horizon when our cruisers escorting a convoy were seen to open fire a few miles distant on our starboard quarter, whereupon our heavy units blazed forth with all their armament from 6-inchers downwards.

In the meantime, a strong screen of destroyers had hung up an umbrella barrage protecting the battle fleet from possible high level bombing attacks.

When the Battle Fleet opened fire, the raiders apparently abandoned the convoy and, splitting into groups, attacked the Fleet from all angles.

From the Barham's compass platform I had a magnificent panoramic view of the Fleet steaming in line ahead belching flame in all directions.

Six-inch guns, four-inch guns, multiple pom-poms and even Lewis guns plastered a wide area extending from sea level to the sky. Each battleship seemed to be aflame from end to end like a giant sea piece in a gargantuan fireworks display. The entire ship shuddered as the shells whistled away into the distance. Shouted orders were drowned by the indescribable violence of the barrage.

Sea Illuminated

In the meantime the sea, illuminated by the blaze of the guns became periodically a mass of small and large water-sprouts as splinters from the destroyers' protective barrage fell around us.

Lulls were broken by the clatter of thousands of empty shell cases being swept aside before the next barrage.

No torpedoes came near us although the last ship of the line was seen to be avoiding action during the early part of the attack.

Darkness prevented us from ascertaining the results of the

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CAR KILLS SMALL BOY

Indian Guilty of Driving
Without Proper Care

Yakob Khan, of 93 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, was convicted by Mr. J. G. Sheldon, i.c., at Central Magistracy yesterday, of driving a car without due care and caution. It was stated that a small boy was killed. Khan was ordered to pay \$50 compensation to the parents of the deceased child in lieu of a fine. Defendant was summoned for driving No. 3559 in Gloucester Road, about 9.30 a.m. on April 4, without due care and caution, by failing to ascertain that the road immediately in front of the car was clear of children before commencing to drive.

Traffic Sgt. R. D. Paton, prosecuted, and Defendant was represented by Mr. F. G. Nigel. Sgt. Paton stated that Defendant's car was parked near the sea wall facing east, and when Defendant commenced to drive it away he looked up at the houses on the other side of Gloucester Road. It was alleged that Defendant failed to see a group of children who were a few feet in front of the car. The result was that one of them was run over and killed. Kwok Ching, boatman, said that he was sitting near the sea wall when he saw Defendant driving the car away. There were four young boys about eight feet away and in front of the car, and the driver was looking up at some houses to his right. The car ran into one of the boys, and he was of the opinion that the number plate was run over and killed. When somebody shouted to Defendant that someone had been knocked down, he reversed his car, and one of the wheels ran over an arm of the child.

Mr. Nigel cross-examined the witness suggested that the child was so close to the car that Defendant could not have seen him. Witness maintained that the child was eight feet away.

Woman's Evidence
Chan Sze, married woman, said that she usually slept under the verandah outside 94 Gloucester Road. On the morning of April 4, she saw four young boys sitting down about 12 feet in front of Defendant's car. She saw Defendant enter get into the car and as it was being driven slowly away Defendant looked up at some houses. She did not hear any horn sounded. Shortly after this she saw the car knock down and run over one of the boys.

Defendant in evidence said that he was instructed by his master to take the car to Dodwell's Service Station. When he proceeded to drive it away he sounded his horn. He saw in front of him only a number of Chinese adults. After driving a short distance he heard shouts of "Se-yan" (dead-body). He immediately stopped, but did not reverse. As he got out some Chinese ran up to him and brought up the deceased from underneath the car. Defendant said he did not know how the car could have knocked down the child as he was sure there were no children in front when he drove it.

Could Not Be Seen
Mr. Nigel submitted that even if there were children about, they were in such a position that they could not have been seen by Defendant. He said that even if it should be proved that Defendant's car ran over and killed the child, it was the wheel that did it, but the hydraulic jack which was inside the wheel and about 5 1/2" from the ground. He also said that motor cars now-a-days were no longer any allurement, and people should not be so curious as to sit on the footboard or underneath a car where they could not be seen. He said that it was certainly not duty of any driver to walk round his car to make sure nobody was about before he drove it.

Convicting Defendant, his Worship said that he accepted the evidence of the witnesses. He proposed, instead of fining him, that Defendant should pay \$50 compensation to the child's parents in this unhappy incident.

Tapped Telephone To Aid Pilot

As a Post Office lineman was tracing a fault on a telephone subscriber's circuit in a remote part of Somerset a lineman made a forced landing in a meadow.

The pilot was out of petrol and stated that it was imperative for him to report back to his headquarters before dark.

The Post Office man saw that the machine was British and checked the pilot's identity before agreeing to summon assistance. It was several minutes to the nearest village, so the lineman climbed a telegraph pole and tapped into the wire with his portable telephone. The exchange answered and connection was made with a garage.

In less than 20 minutes the petrol had arrived and the aeroplane had gone on its way.

M. Charles Baron, General de Gaulle's Far Eastern representative, arrived in Hongkong yesterday on an inspection tour of the Free French organisations in East Asia.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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The Seventy-second Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the underigned on Wednesday, the 21st May, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

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Hotels \$2.85
Electricity \$11.25
Maeco Electric \$10
H.K. Ropes \$0.10
Entertainments \$6.25
Sellers
Providents \$5
Trains \$16
Sales
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Union Ins. \$405
Electricity \$11.25
Electricity \$11.75
Maeco Electric \$10

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 19th day of May, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Pokfulam Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 21 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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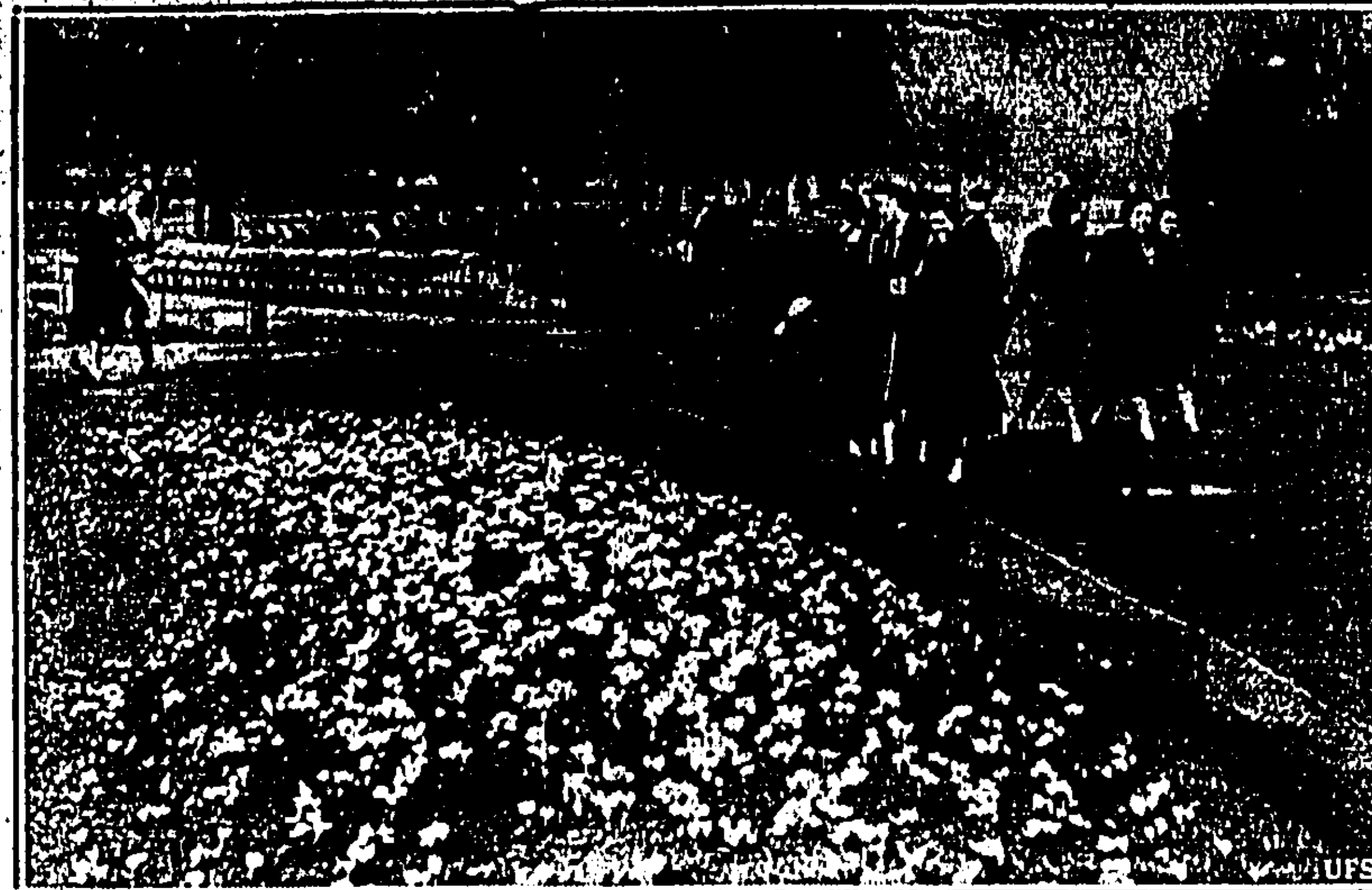
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1.00 Local Time Signal.
1.01 Reginald Foort at the Organ.
1.13 Hawaiian Selections.
1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.
2.15 Close Down.
2.45 Indian Programme.
3.40 Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.32 Variety.
7.00 London Relay—The News.
7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".
7.30 Dance Music.
9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.
9.02 Amy Woodforde—Finde's "Four Indian Love Lyrics" sung by Nelson Eddy (Baritone).
9.16 An Orchestral and Violin Programme.

With the Classics—Medley (arr. Sidney Crook); Intro. Polka (Chopin); Moments Musicaux (Schubert); Nocturne (Chopin); March (Tchaikovsky); Waltz of the Flowers (Tchaikovsky); William Tell Overture (Rossini); Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy (Tchaikovsky); Minute Waltz (Chopin); Hungarian Rhapsody (Liszt)...Alfredo Campoli and his Concert Orchestra; Intermède (Souvenir de) (Heinz Erz); Modli (Skold)...Otto Kynäel (Violin) with piano accomp.; Pan Americana (Herbert)...Columbia Symphony Orchestra; In My Heart—Hungarian Melody (Miseraki); Bird Songs at Eventide (Eric Coates)...George Tzipine (violin) with organ; Hungarian Dance No. 5 (Brahms); Dark Eyes (Russian Gipsy Air)...Rode and his Tziganes; Africa Serenade (Boulanger); American Vision (Boulanger)...George Boulanger (Violin) with piano accomp.; The Midnight Waltz (Amoldo); Neapolitan Nights (Zamecnick)...London Novelty Orchestra.
9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.
9.15 Compositions in French.
9.45-10.00 News in French (On Short Wave Only).
9.45 The Kentucky Minstrels.
10.00 Studio—The Fourth of a series of Talks on Drama of Yesterday and To-day by Evelyn Wood. Illustrated by scenes from Classical and Modern Plays.
(Those taking part are: Jess Graham-Barrow, Sheila Mackenzie, Vera Murray, Cyril Champkin, H. L. Duncan.)
10.35 The Albert Sandler Trio and Orchestra.
A Little Love, a Little Kiss (Silesu); Because (d'Hardelot)...Albert Sandler and his Orchestra; Le Canari (Polakkin); Faery Song (from "The Immortal Hour")...Albert Sandler Trio; Halfway to Heaven (from "The Street Singer"); If You Only Know (from "Crest of the Wave")...Albert Sandler and his Orchestra; Romance in E Flat (Rubinstein)...Albert Sandler Trio; Down in the Forest (Sir L. Ronald)...Albert Sandler and his Orchestra.
11.00 Close Down.



"SPRING IN LONDON—Despite the possibility that a Nazi bomb may land in the centre of them, crocuses bravely push their blooms upward in St. Regent's Park, London. Spring sunshine is enjoyed by flowers and humans alike, although the war is so near.

Government Camps Take Workers

The rise in the cost of essential foodstuffs and lack of available Chinese tenement space were given by the Hon. Dr. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, as reasons for a number of Chinese who are earning daily wages as employees of commercial firms, living at the Tai Hang Government Camp at Jardine's Lookout, when interviewed yesterday morning.

Asked how Government selected persons for the Government Camp, Dr. Selwyn-Clarke said that the Squatter's Camp at Jardine's Lookout was established by the Medical Department, by permission of the Government, to enable squatters living in unauthorised and insanitary huts, at the outskirts of residential areas, suffering from Typhoid, Dysentery and other intestinal diseases, to erect huts. These were of an approved pattern, in proper alignment, with ventilation, fire-break and drainage in an area under municipal and general sanitary control, and provided with communal latrines and a pipe line water supply, etc.

Residents of the unauthorised and insanitary huts were invited to return to their own country with assistance in the form of free passages and an ex-gratia payment for travelling expenses. If they were destitute and were unwilling and unable to return to their country of origin, such persons were offered food, shelter and medical services at the Pat Heung Medical Camp and only when they were Hongkong citizens or refugees in employment, in neither case able to obtain housing in town tenements, were they granted the privilege of building their own huts at Jardine's Lookout.

Were Well Off

It was quite true, continued Dr. Selwyn-Clarke, that certain numbers of persons living at Jardine's Lookout were in receipt of regular daily wages and certain of these were employed in the Hongkong Tramways and other commercial undertakings. But it must be remembered that gross overcrowding was the rule rather than the exception in a Colony which has been called upon to absorb something like 750,000 refugees in a population of not much more than 1,000,000. It must also be remembered that rents had risen considerably since the Sino-Japanese war started and that considerably less shelter was available for the same amount of money. Furthermore, the cost of essential foodstuffs had also risen very considerably and consequently real wages had fallen. These points justified a somewhat lenient outlook by Government, which would continue while the present emergency lasted so that while it was true that several of the inmates of the Government Camp were earning useful wages, a daily inventory was taken in order to exclude the more properly secured refugees.

Complaints that inmates of the Camp at Jardine's Lookout had practically stripped the surrounding hillsides of trees, were partly refuted by Dr. Selwyn-Clarke, who said that while one or two of the inmates may have been guilty of such behaviour, these would have been firmly dealt with by the Vigilance Committee.

Each camp is self-governing, and any resident of the Colony who is interested enough is invited to make application for a pass from the Medical authorities and pay a visit to the Camp.

Villagers from Sookunpo, street-sweepers and others are guilty to a large extent of theft of wood from the hillsides than the inmates of the Camp, said Dr. Selwyn-Clarke.

A.N.S. Lectures

A new series of lectures in First Aid for those wishing to join the Auxiliary Nursing Service will be given by Dr. A. P. Guttorf and Dr. J. W. Barnes, at the Little Flower Club, King's Park, Kowloon, commencing on Friday, May 16, at 5.45 p.m. A register of attendances will be taken at the lecture, and it is hoped that many new volunteers will come forward.

Anti-Axis Federation In S'hai

That an International Allied Federation was inaugurated in Shanghai on May 5 for the purpose of building up a united front against the Axis front, which was very active in Shanghai, was revealed by M. J. E. Marcuse, Far Eastern correspondent of the Free French News Agency, in an interview yesterday.

M. Marcuse said that the Federation had a very wide membership, comprising individuals and various organisations from the allied community, and including members of the Free French movement. The aims were to promote closer intercourse between the allied communities in Shanghai; to co-ordinate publicity; and to build up a united front of the Allies to oppose the Axis front.

Immediately the Federation had been formed, the following telegram was sent to Sir A. Clarke-Kerr, British Ambassador to China, by the non-British members:

"Non-British members of the newly created Shanghai International Allied Federation wish to express their complete faith in an ultimate British and Allied victory, and their unreserved solidarity with their British Allies in defence of the common cause of freedom and decency."

Federation thanked Sir Archibald replied thanking the Federation and assuring them of his fullest support.

In Shanghai, M. Marcuse said that they were going through very hard times, as strong pressure had been brought to bear on them by the French Consul General.

"In spite of this, the Free French are still going stronger and stronger," said M. Marcuse. "The publicity given to the Egal affair, instead of discrediting the Movement, has done us a lot of good. So far no charge has been brought against M. Egal, who is still detained in Saigon."

"Although the French authorities have circulated rumours that Egal may be sentenced to death, we have no fear in that respect, because we have within reach certain hostages," he said.

After a short stay in the Colony, Marcuse will proceed to Singapore on a new gathering trip.

It will be recalled that M. Egal, leader of the Free French movement in Shanghai, was arrested last month by French Marines, and detained on board the French gunboat Francois Garnier. He was said to have arranged for three sailors from the gunboat to desert and join General de Gaulle's Free French forces.

Jewess Missing From Ship

Mystery surrounds the disappearance of Minna Grann, 27, Jewish refugee and one of nine refugee passengers in the Taiyo Maru, who failed to land when the vessel docked at Shanghai recently, says the N.C.D. News. She was reported missing 34 hours prior to the arrival of the ship. It is feared that she had jumped overboard in a fit of depression owing to difficulties connected with her residence in Hong-kew.

The vessel stopped after the passenger was reported missing and the vicinity was scoured for several hours for her without result. It was later found that although she had a landing permit, she had not succeeded in securing a permit to live in Hong-kew.

More than 2,000 European Jewish refugees mostly from Soviet-occupied Poland and Lithuania, it was learned, are now in Japan, awaiting visas to proceed to other ports. About 300 of the number are believed to have secured the necessary sanction from the British authorities to go to Palestine.

MR. CHURCHILL'S CIGAR

The King and Queen recently visited pottery works in the Stoke-on-Trent district, and they saw a boy jug showing Mr. Churchill looking particularly pugnacious. The King commented, "I don't think he smokes his cigars at such a low angle." The jugs were designed for America, and the first will shortly be sent there.

Consecration Of Dean Wilson Here

A cable has been received by Bishop Hall, of Hongkong, from the Archbishop of Canterbury, authorising the consecration in Hongkong, by three Bishops to be selected locally, of the Very Rev. Dean J. L. Wilson, Bishop of Singapore.

Dean Wilson accepted the invitation to be Bishop of Singapore some twenty years ago and was waiting instructions from Canterbury as to the place of his consecration. Although several Bishops now serving in China have been consecrated here, all Bishops for service in a diocese directly under Canterbury, such as the diocese of Singapore (which, incidentally includes the whole of the Malay Peninsula and Thailand) are always consecrated in England. On account of the war, however, a special exception is being made in this case, the delay in the Archbishop's decision having been due to the legal technicalities which had to be overcome.

It is understood that Bishops from India, Ceylon, Rangoon, the Philippines and Provinces of China will be invited to attend the consecration and that Bishop Hall will probably be one of the three selected for performing the ceremony.

Dean Wilson is at present on a visit to Singapore where he is spending a few weeks as the guest of the Archbishop of that diocese. He has been informed by cable of the decision received from Canterbury, but it is yet too early to say when the consecration will take place.

The Dean is expected back in June.

Jockey Club Donations This Year

The Hongkong Jockey Club have in the current year made the following donations totalling \$55,500:

Chinese Benevolent Society \$5,000; Little Sisters of the Poor \$5,000; War Memorial Nursing Home \$5,000; Diocesan School and Orphanage \$5,000; Memorial and Allied Hospitals \$5,000; Sailors Home and Missions to Seamen \$2,000; The Salvation Army \$2,000; Hong Kong Jockey Club \$1,000; Society for the Protection of Children \$1,000; Poppy Day Fund \$1,000; Sailors and Soldiers Home \$1,000; The Boys' Playgroup Association \$1,000; The Boy Scout Association \$1,000; The Girl Scout Association \$1,000; The Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association \$1,000; Social Service Centre of the Churches \$1,000; Hongkong Refugee and Social Welfare Council \$1,000; The Kowloon and Tai Po Rural Home and Orphanage \$250.

Bomber Fund

A total of \$1,000,019.72 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd. with the following donations:

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PRESS ATTACHES IN COLONY

Informal Conference

An informal publicity conference will take place in Hongkong during the next few days, with British Press Attaches gathering here from Chungking and Shanghai.

Almost simultaneously, Mr. Leslie Smith (assistant Press Attache in Hongkong), Mr. John Alexander (British Press Attache in Shanghai), and Mr. Vera Redman (Press Attache in Tokyo) arrived on Monday and will remain here for some days. Mr. J. E. Marcuse, Far Eastern correspondent of the Free French News Agency, travelled down from Shanghai with Mr. Alexander by the President-Tatt. He will shortly proceed to Singapore on a new gathering trip.

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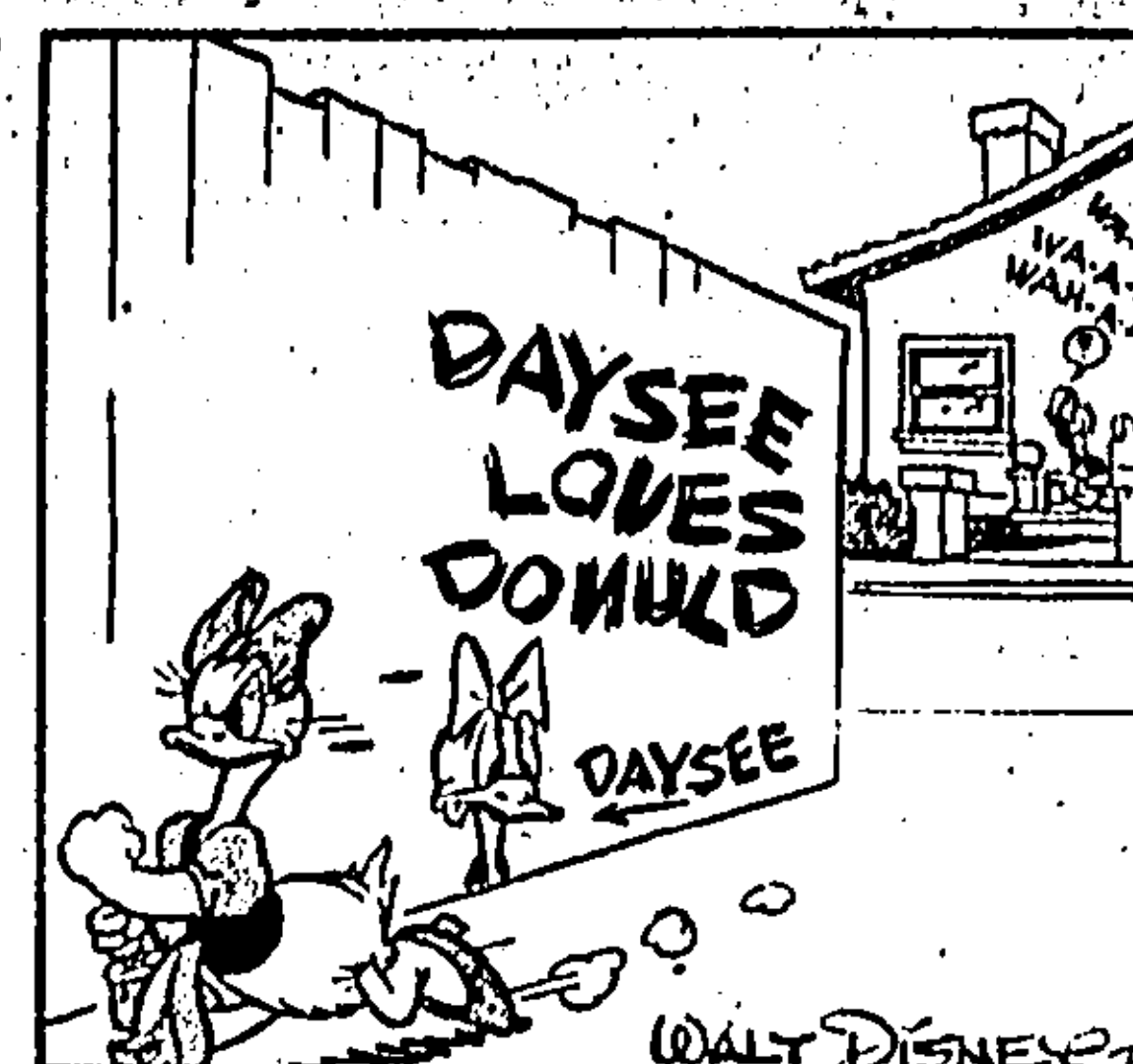
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Operating officials of the American President Lines have been notified by the Accident Prevention Bureau of the Waterfront Employers' Association that their flagship, the President Coolidge, has won the Bureau's coveted "Safety Award" for 1940. Competition for this award is based on efforts to minimize the number of disabling occupational injuries among ships' personnel. The President Coolidge was the only Pacific passenger vessel to qualify for the privilege of flying the safety pennant for 1940. An appropriate presentation ceremony was to be held when the President Coolidge returned to San Francisco from the Orient on May 9.

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HITLER DESERTED

THE whole world was astounded yesterday when it heard of the desertion of Herr Rudolf Hess Hitler's trusted deputy, with its consequent sequel of a parachute jump over Scotland and the confinement of Hess in a Glasgow hospital suffering from a broken ankle. The German propaganda department, completely in the dark as to what had happened, did its utmost to explain away the incident by putting out a vague report that Hess had become mentally deranged and had taken a flight to an unknown destination with the intention of committing suicide. Unhappily for Goebbels and his chief, Hitler, Hess not only refused to attempt suicide, but landed precisely where he intended to in a perfectly normal frame of mind. First reports indicate that apart from being completely sane, Hess also appears willing, even anxious to talk.

It is not difficult to imagine the feelings of Hitler and Co. Hess, as one of the most important figures in the Reich National Socialist Party, is assuredly as well informed about German military plans as anyone in the country, and it is inconceivable that Hitler and his military advisers dare take the risk of Hess failing to divulge this information. In other words, Hitler appears to be faced with the necessity of completely changing his war plans for the immediate future. This is one apparent aspect of the dramatic desertion by Rudolf Hess.

Another is that dissident voices are being raised in the ranks of the Nazi party. Goebbels' hard-working propaganda office may insist until doomsday that Hess is a madman, but this will not obliterate the conviction, for which there is every foundation, that something rotten exists in the State of Germany, and that the net of retribution is slowly, but inexorably being wound tighter around Fuehrer Hitler and his cronies.

The event is both depressing and alarming for the Nazi leaders, while as for Hitler, his major fear now must be: who among my trusted will be the next to strike at me? The defection of Hess has for Hitler the effect of loosing off his left arm. Hess was his beloved, the only man in the higher councils who boasted ambition to oust his leader, Goering; Goebbels, Himmler, Ribbentrop and von Papen have always been slightly suspect for Hitler.

MODERN WARFARE OWES MUCH TO ANCIENT CHINA

THESE WORTHY who invented gunpowder certainly started something. Unknown to himself he blasted the world out of medievalism and became the unsung patron of the Krupps, Schneider-Creusots and Du Ponts of modern times. Were it not for his discovery, wars would probably still be fought in the lusty way of earlier ages with bow and arrow, sword and spear.

"Fire medicine," as the Chinese to this day term their invention, was for centuries the "secret weapon" of the Middle Kingdom. As a defensive measure, gunpowder was first employed in firecrackers, its initial effect being to terrify rather than to injure. This continued to be the case until the Yuan or Mongol dynasty (A. D. 1280-1368) when some Celestial genius tried the experiment of using its explosive force for hurling projectiles from brass and copper tubes. With the perfection of such an innovation, gunpowder blew off its swaddling clothes and has been throwing its weight around ever since.

MOST OF THE APPLICATIONS OF GUNPOWDER

to warfare have been of Chinese origin, and up to the beginning of the nineteenth century, the Middle Kingdom was the leader in all armament design. It is, therefore, a tragedy of history that the Power which was considered invincible during the reign of Ch'ien Lung (A. D. 1736-1795) should be the victim of aggression to-day. Instead of continuing to improve upon her weapons of war, China suddenly reached a stalemate in her martial inventive ability, and by the time of Tao Kuang (A. D. 1821-1850) was content to copy the out-moded ordnance of Europe.

After their defeat by the British and French in 1860, the Chinese seemed to have lost all confidence in their ability to turn out even passable reproductions of foreign ordnance, and fire to anything combustible, took to purchasing their cannon and even their gunpowder from abroad. Cannon balls, however, were mostly made by their own arsenals, and this continued as long as the old muzzle-loading guns remained in vogue.

These projectiles were generally made of wrought iron, roughly hammered to a roundish shape, although cannon shots of cast iron and brass were also manufactured. In cases of emergency, the Chinese adopted a simple process of mass manufacture, that is, by placing a clay core in a mould, and then running lead and pewter round it; the clay was left inside and fired with the ball. By this method cannon balls of twelve pounds or more could be turned out in quantity.

WHATEVER MAY BE SAID

of the deterioration of Chinese armaments after the middle of the last century, it is generally admitted that before the troops were armed with modern rifles and machine-guns, one of the most effective of all infantry weapons was the Chinese gingall, a heavy, musket-like gun about eight feet in length, firing a two ounce ball or, more frequently, pieces of scrap iron.

knows that any or all of them are capable of turning against him if they thought they could benefit themselves; but Hess—Hess was different! And now Hess has been the first to strike. Dear Brutus!

It would be ignoring realities to suggest that the Nazi regime is about to collapse because of the desertion by Hess; but this incident may well be the beginning of the end for the Nazis, and as one London commentator observed yesterday, perhaps this is the handwriting on the wall. Hitler's day may be nearer at hand than the world at the moment suspects.

The range of the firearm was considering its roughness and imperfect construction, remarkably wide, and it was, moreover, capable of inflicting severe casualties on the enemy.

Its one drawback was its unwieldiness, as two men were required to carry and fire it. The firing operation was effected by one man supporting the barrel on his shoulder, while his companion at the stock took aim. The recoil was terrific, and in order to prevent his being swept off his feet, each man braced himself as if to withstand the impact of a heavy blow. As a further precaution against the weapon jumping unduly and thus missing its target, the barrel was held down by cloth straps, the ends of which were grasped tightly by the man supporting the piece.

Regardless of these inconveniences, the gun was widely used by the Chinese for blasting outlying enemy outposts preparatory to the making of a cavalry dash. Although the gingall as such was never adopted by western armies, its principle has been applied in a modified form in the development of modern "stove-pipe" trench mortars, of which the Stokes mortar is perhaps the most familiar example.

AS A FACTOR responsible for the modification of military tactics, the hand grenade looms importantly. This was originally a Chinese invention, and it is probable that Europeans obtained their first knowledge of its design and construction from early travellers to Cathay.

Until the development of the Mills "pineapple," most grenades in military use were simply modifications of existing Chinese types, such as the "fire ball" and the "stink pot." The former was a small cloth bag filled with gunpowder and lighted by a fuse, while the latter was a metal canister containing coarse powder into which a slow match was introduced. When hurled into an enemy's stronghold, they set fire to anything combustible, and by their sulphurous smoke produced such an acrid vapour that the enemy, in the absence of any mask protection, would be forced to flee.

Such grenades might well be claimed to be the obvious prototypes of the incendiary and poison gas bombs used with such effect in twentieth century blitz attacks. The "flame thrower," another ostensibly modern weapon, was actually envisaged by the Chinese centuries before the Germans startled the world by employing it in the first Great War. The Chinese prototype was the "fire tube," and was much used by Celestial shock troops in storming walled cities. This was a simple device in principle, being merely a length of bamboo about five feet in length and three inches in diameter, with the inside scooped out to form a tube, one end of which was stopped up by a thick plug of clay. It was further strengthened by being tightly wrapped with rattan, and in use was packed full of meal (that is, weapons was the Chinese gingall, finely pulverised) gunpowder, which upon being ignited spouted forth in a veritable inferno of flame. As the weapon could be controlled like a blow-torch, its blazing heat could be directed upon an enemy during a hand to hand attack with appalling effect.

THE ROCKET, that ingenious contrivance, which may have provided the idea for the development of both the star shell and shrapnel, was another important Chinese contribution to warfare. In its Chinese form, it was a well-designed and effective weapon, and was employed by the thousands for night attacks on enemy towns.

As the Chinese rocket was heavily charged with gunpowder and tipped with a sharp iron point, it could not only set fire to anything combustible but was also capable of killing and maiming anyone unfortunate enough to be caught during its flaming descent to earth.

Chinese military genius has also been responsible for the development of the science of laying land-mines. Although explosive mines in use nowadays are improvements over the original Chinese models, the technique of laying them remains largely the same. Foreigners have always admired the skill and patience displayed by Chinese military engineers in their sapping operations. The Chinese aptitude for this type of warfare is well shown by the exploits of guerilla warriors who have blown up strategic bridges and other important works under the very noses of the Japanese troops in occupied territory.

As the Chinese have so assiduously applied themselves to military discoveries in the past, it is not beyond the realm of possibility that in the years to come they will again take the lead in developing weapons of warfare. Or perhaps, when the world has become fully sickened of the horrors of totalitarian slaughter, it will be a revitalised China which will show the nations the way of peaceful living.

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Private Life Of A Private

TROUBLE IN THE 'NAFFY'

A further extract from the diary of a journalist now in the Army for the duration.

★
RECRUIT Siberia goes in for a somewhat flowery kind of Continental politeness—just as his cursing, sometimes, has the lurid, shaggy, windblasted atmosphere of the steppes.

We are at the tea-bar of the Navy, Army and Air Force Institution, which is better known as the Naffy.

The Lad from the Elephant says, "Tea 'n a wad, please, miss"—a Wad being a Cake—and receives what he asks for.

Siberia, with a whimsical smile, says: "Will you be so kind as to pour me a cup of tea?"

"Excuse Me!"
The girl in the blue overall tosses her head and serves somebody else.

"Excuse me, I said: 'Will you be so very kind as to give yourself the trouble of pouring—'"

"I heard," says the girl. "Then would it be too much if I asked you where is my tea?"

"We've got enough to put up with," says the girl, "without being spoken to like dogs. You don't get anything till you say Please."

"I said: Will you be so very kind."

"I heard what you said. You say Please in the proper manner."

There is a grating noise: it is Siberia grinding his teeth as he says: "Please, then. Please. Please. PLEASE give me a cup of tea. PULEEEASE!"

"There's no need to be sarcastic."

"Oh God!" cries Siberia, desperately.

"And there's no need to swear and curse at me either," says the Naffy girl, giving him his cup of tea. "We've got enough to put up with."

"Not so much of your little sensitive lamb, either. They haven't been doing anything, if you in here and I'll call the Mana-want to know. But you ought geras," says the Naffy Girl.

to be grateful girls like us come here and work serving you chaps, without treating me like a slave."

"If The Cap Fits"
Siberia bristles at every follicle, and says: "If I merely said—"

"If the cap fits," says the girl, "wear it. Do you think this is a joy-ride for us here? We're on tougher discipline than what you fellows are. You can get out sometimes after duties. Can we? Oh, no."

"We're at it from seven in the morning till last thing at night. You try handling the evening rush!"

"Millions of shouting soldiers to be served, and everything to be kept spick-and-span . . . living like soldiers, in barracks . . . no time to ourselves."

"And what do we get out of it? Hardly enough to keep ourselves in face-powder."

"And what are our prospects? Pooh! There's not even a chance to meet a chap that you could settle down with."

"I resent that," says Siberia. "You can go and fry your ugly black face. Go and learn how to say Please in the proper manner! All you read about is RAF and Wavell, and the Navy. What about the Naffy Girl?"

"You're all pretty bright, you are, with your parades, and your rifles, and your showing-off."

"But where would you all be if it wasn't for the Naffy Girl, who serves you your tea, and your wads, and your Blanco, and your razor-blades? Answer me—that?"

Language!

"You'd look pretty nice, shivering in the cold, wouldn't you?"

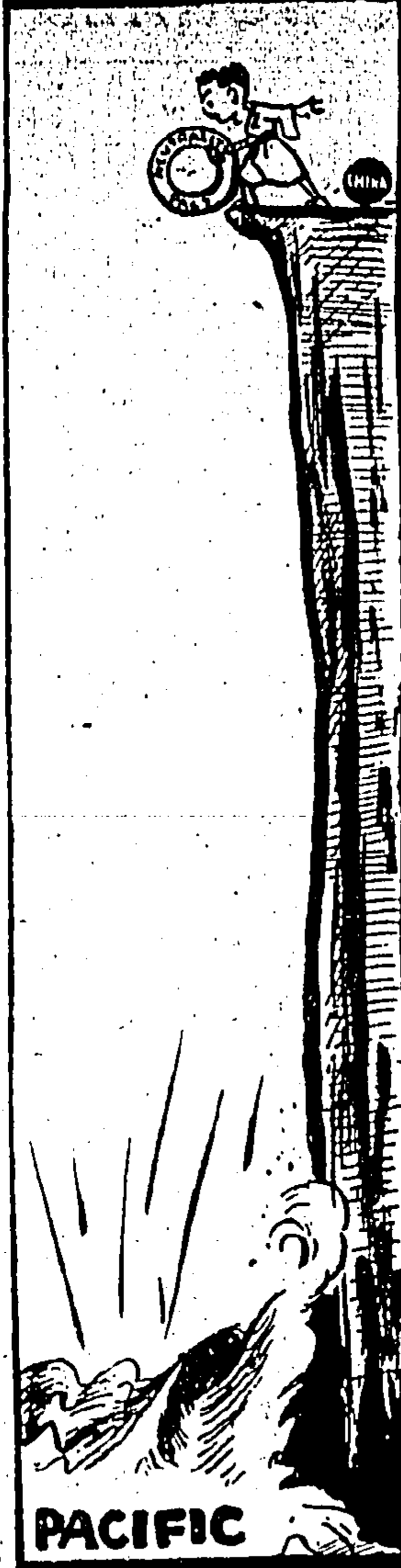
"But a fat lot of thanks we got. Oi, there—urry that cup o' char! and Oi, there—gimme a double Woods!"

"And a certain class of soldier can't even say Please in the proper manner!"

"Madam," says Siberia. "Don't you Madam me!"

"Dear lady, I do appreciate your war-effort," says Siberia, "but I think that you are hyper."

"Any more o' that language been doing anything, if you in here and I'll call the Mana-want to know. But you ought geras," says the Naffy Girl.



PACIFIC

—From the "China Fortnightly"

SIAM DISTRUSTS JAPANESE

Ex-King Fears Invasion

Ex-King Prajadhipok of Siam broke his long silence about Far Eastern affairs and talked to me in his Virginia Water home of his country's position and his forebodings for the future, writes a "Daily Telegraph" reporter.

Throughout our conversation the ex-King spoke of Siam, not of Thailand, explaining that he had not become used to the new name. He insisted that the views he gave me were his personal ones.

He denied that Siamese politics are dictated by the Japanese, and said that Siam's claim against Indo-China, which amounted to not more than a rectification of the frontier, was a long-standing one and was not made at Japan's instigation.

He thought it possible that, despite the armistice between Siam and Indo-China, fighting might break out again. Then the Japanese might say, "We must have peace there," and occupy Indo-China.

"But I do not think Japan wants to fight there yet," he continued. "I think she would rather wait to see what happens in Europe before courting a fight there. But she might count on no one helping Indo-China and the French alone could not do much to stop her."

Japanese "Friendship"
"If the Japanese want to use the land route to Singapore they must occupy French Indo-China and then invade Siam. We know that Siam figures in Japanese schemes of expansion. The Japanese try to make out that they are the friends of Siam. They said to the Chinese, 'We love you very much,' and look what happened there."

"Siam does not want to be under the direction of any nation. I am sure that that is the policy of the present Government. It has been the traditional policy of all the kings of Siam to be friendly with Great Britain and the British Empire. That is the keystone of all Siamese foreign policy and I have no reason to suppose that policy has been changed."

"To me it would seem that Siam would be behaving almost suicidally if she were to make herself Britain's enemy."

Austria Has Artificial Fog Creator

ARTIFICIAL fog creators have been fitted up at Wiener Neustadt, in Austria, and other precautions against I.A.F. raids have been taken in this area, where 60,000 people are employed in war industries.

One works there is turning out 250 various aeroplanes a month, in addition to tanks and other weapons, and employs 32,000 hands.

Wiener Neustadt is probably Germany's largest production area. Pilot schools and dive-bombing and parachute-training grounds are also in the neighbourhood.

A specially noticeable recent precaution in Germany is the evacuation of children from large centres to Austria and Italy. A group of such children went to Italy recently. These moves seem to belie the Nazi party prophecies that the war will soon be over.

Gold-Bearing Fish Found

Reminiscent of some of Ripley's "Believe It or Not" tales, a Japanese restaurant in Hong-kew, Japanese-occupied section of Shanghai's International Settlement, is reported to have bought a frozen fish containing 13 ounces of gold in its stomach.

Japanese gendarmes officers, to whom the gold was presented, believe that the gold was part of a small fortune smuggled from Chefoo into Shanghai by some Chinese.

The gold was discovered while Mr Sato, proprietor of the restaurant, set about preparing a succulent dish of raw fish lovers. Slicing open the stomach, Mr Sato encountered a hard substance, and then to his astonishment drew out three pieces of gold, each neatly labelled with its weight.

Jack Benny Gets Salary Raise

Jack Benny has signed a new radio contract which will pay him \$17,500 a week, officials of the National Broadcasting Company said.

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Japanese Found off Naval Base

E. SAKAMOTO, owner of a Japanese fishing vessel, was fined \$100 in a Singapore court recently when he was convicted on a charge of entering Admiralty waters with aliens aboard without permission in writing from the King's Harbour Master.

Sgt Thomas Moran, of the Naval Water Police, said that on the afternoon of April 16 the sounds of the engine of a vessel off the Naval Base attracted his attention.

There was a heavy downpour of rain at the time, but he went out and saw a vessel, a motor launch circling around in Admiralty waters.

He boarded it and found Sakamoto steering the launch. Sakamoto could not produce a permit for cruising in Admiralty waters.

Claimed Licence
Making an unsworn statement, Sakamoto said he had a licence for the last six or seven years to cruise along the Johore coast.

That morning the engine of his launch had just been repaired and he was trying it out.

He did not know he was committing an offence, he said, by steering the ship to that part of the Straits.

Africa Duty For Seized Internees

One hundred former members of the International Brigade which fought on the Government's side in the Spanish civil war were forcibly taken from the Argelles internment camp and sent to North Africa, reports Associated Press from Vichy.

It is presumed that the men will be put to work on the Trans-Saharan Railway which the French Government has ordered to be built.

The report said gendarmes, soldiers and members of the youth group, Compagnons de France, encircled the camp and barracks while four gendarmes took each man to a truck.

Woman internees threw sand in the guards' eyes, children tried to fight the police and some of the men resisted and were knocked down and dragged away.

Australian Cabinet's Dilemma

Mr W. M. Hughes, the Australian Attorney-General and Minister for the Navy, has admitted that the Government had no power to compel Lady Blamey, wife of Lt-Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey, Commander-in-Chief of the Australian Imperial Forces in the Middle East, to return to Australia from Egypt.

Lady Blamey, after leaving Sydney to visit her husband in January, was asked by the Australian Cabinet to return to Australia, on the grounds that they wished strictly to adhere to their decision not to issue passports to wives, fiancées, women relatives or friends of the A.I.F. abroad.

There was some question, however, of Lady Blamey being allowed to proceed if she were selected to assist in the management of a women's cantina service which might be established in the Middle East.

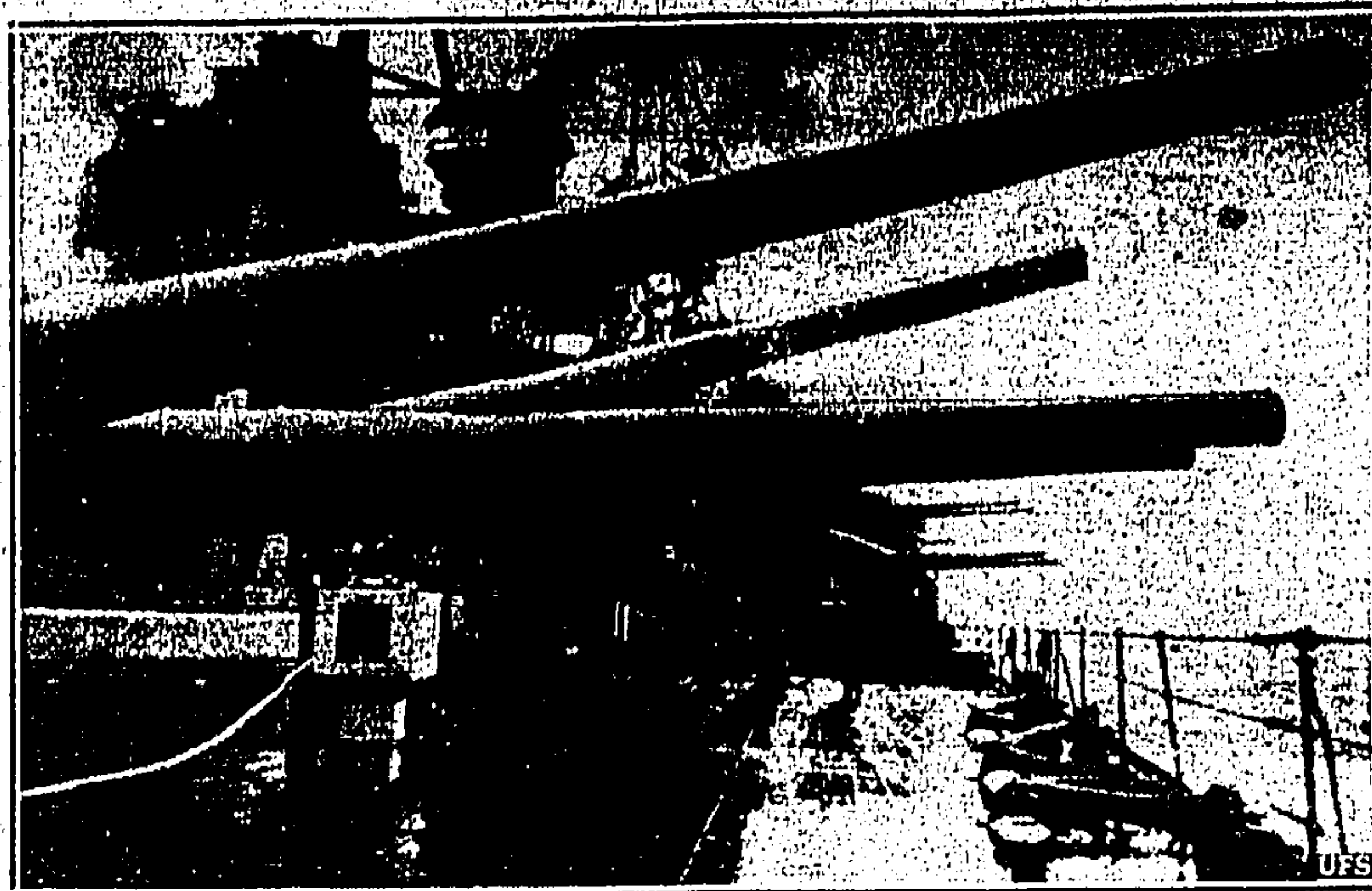
Members of the War Council and the Cabinet are reported to be very concerned lest Lady Blamey ignore the Cabinet's request to return.

Smaller Newspapers In Britain

In order to reduce imports of pulp, pulpwood and newsprint, all British newspapers have, at the request of the Government, agreed to make a substantial cut in the weekly consumption of newsprint.

The effect of the cut will be to reduce the sizes of penny daily newspapers from six 6-page issues a week to four of six pages and two of four pages a week.

Twopenny weekly and Sunday newspapers will be reduced from 12 to 10 pages per issue.



BRITAIN'S MIGHTIEST—General drill takes place beneath the turret of quadruple 14-inch guns aboard Britain's newest and mightiest battleship, King George V. It was this ship that took Lord Halifax, British Ambassador, to the United States. The ship has secondary armament of 5-inch guns.

Raschid Ali Reveals Terms For Mediation By Turkey

ANKARA, May 13 (Reuter).—Raschid Ali's terms for Turkish mediation, delivered by Hajj Sayid Shawkat, the Iraqi Defence Minister, are reliably reported to be as follows:

- (1) British troops landing at Basra should not remain there but proceed to a destination outside Iraq;
- (2) Raschid Ali, while agreeing to an increase in the number of British troops in Iraq, insists that such increase and the manner it is carried out must be determined and settled by a joint Anglo-Iraq Commission.

Since these two points are contrary to the terms of the Anglo-Iraqi Treaty, it is felt in Ankara that there is very little chance of Shawkat's visit being successful to the rebels.

Mission Concluded
The Iraqi Legation at Ankara has refused any statement other than that Shawkat's mission has concluded although he is staying on for a few days, probably to see Herr von Papen, it is suggested.

Raschid Ali's attempt to declare a holy war against Britain is ridiculed and makes the rebels doubly guilty against their own people, who owe their independence to Britain.

Egypt's Offer Rejected
CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—Acknowledging Egypt's offer of mediation, the Raschid Ali administration, while thanking Egypt for the offer, state that they are availing themselves of the Turkish offer which was received first.

Evacuees Reach India
KARACHI, May 13 (Reuter).—Sixty British evacuees, women and children from Iraq, have arrived here.

Morrison Rebukes Lady M.P.

MRS TATE, Conservative M.P. for Frome, was rebuked in the House of Commons recently for blurring out information that she should have given privately to the Home Secretary.

She had made allegations against a German domestic servant, Sophie Spielman.

These were that:—The girl was posing as a Czech refugee when she arrived in Britain in 1938;

She was engaged to a Nazi officer; She had been sent from Berlin to Prague for three months only to qualify as a Czech agent;

While employed in officers' billets here she had expressed a deep desire to engage in espionage for the Nazis.

Mrs Tate asked the Home Secretary to state where and how the girl had been employed since she was registered as an enemy alien on reaching her 16th birthday.

Under Auspices
Mr Herbert Morrison replied that a girl named Sophie Spielman, now aged 17½, arrived in Britain in June, 1939, under the auspices of the British Committee for Refugees, that he knew of no grounds for suggesting that she had posed as a Czech.

Later it was ascertained that she had a Czech passport and she was re-registered as being of Czech nationality. Since her arrival in England she had been employed as a domestic servant.

"Your Duty"
Dealing with the allegations that the girl was engaged to a Nazi officer, was now working in officers' billets here, and had expressed a desire to be a Nazi spy, Mr. Morrison said sternly:

"I think if Mrs. Tate had that information in her possession, she should have given it privately. It is the duty of a citizen, let alone an M.P., to convey information to the Home Office."

"I will take note of the allegations, but it would be more useful if Members having information against people should convey it privately, instead of blowing the whole thing up in public."

Devaluation Powers

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP).—The House Coinage Committee by a vote of nine to seven to-day approved a bill to continue President Roosevelt's devaluation powers for another two years, with an amendment limiting the price for foreign gold to \$35.00 per ounce.

Royal Empire Society Building Hit In Blitz

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Royal Empire Society's building in London, which is well-known to visitors all over the world, was severely damaged in recent air raids.

Practically the entire Law Library, involving between 12,000 and 15,000 books, was destroyed. In addition, between 10,000 and 12,000 books were destroyed in the newspaper room, including the whole of the British Empire section.

Other losses involved were the complete section of foreign colonisation as well as irreplaceable foreign periodicals and official journals of former German and other colonies.

The entire Hind collection of books concerning East Africa and the Gibraltar and Malta sections were also lost.

The administrative quarters together with its India Room, New Zealand Room and social rooms were gutted.

Sold Torpedo To U.S.

Inventor Found Shot
Colonel Michael Borislavsky, formidable-looking White Russian, told his friends that he had sold a new torpedo that he had been working on for months to the American War Department. It would mean \$100,000 to him, he said.

He was so excited about the news that he could not sleep. So he went out for a walk. A doctor, driving along St Nicholas-terrace, New York, found him dead, shot through one eye.

Police could not find the bullet that had passed through the colonel's head. Their only clue is an anonymous warning that the colonel received in his mail three years ago.

ITALIAN BRASS HATS SEE INDIA

SIMLA, May 13 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that Italian war prisoners in India include 20 generals and one admiral while a second admiral is shortly to be expected.

Camps are designed to accommodate 3,000 prisoners each. Four such camps make a group which is guarded by two infantry battalions. Seven such groups of camps have been established or are being established.

DARLAN RETURNS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VICHY, May 13 (UP).—The Vice-Premier, Admiral Darlan, arrived here from Paris at 6.15 p.m. on a special train and immediately reported the details of his conversations with Hitler, Ribbentrop and Abetz to Marshal Petain with whom he was closeted alone.

SWEDES FIRE ON PLANES

STOCKHOLM, May 13 (Reuter).—Swedish anti-aircraft guns fired on two German planes which were flying towards Limhamn, in the province of Skane, South Sweden, this morning, forcing them to turn back.

Indian Warship Lost

SIMLA, May 13 (Reuter).—The loss of H.M.S. Paravati, by enemy action, has been officially announced.

LETTERS

The Famous 51st Were at Arras

The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—In reply to "51st Division" I may state that I was a member of the 4th Gdons 154 Brigade (51st Division) in December, 1917 and clearly recollect that I spent Christmas Day at Mount Saint Eloi (about 11 kilometres from Arras) so therefore the 51st Highland Division must have been in the Arras Sector of the Line then.

Good Old 51st.

Hess Popularity Fund Suggested

Sir,—As a means of augmenting the Bomber Fund, may I suggest that you be kind enough to insert the following in your paper.

Rudolf Hess Popularity Fund

The above Fund has as its object the valuation of Hess' popularity in Hongkong. What would you have given to hear that he was taken prisoner, before he was? Please send in the amount or as close as you can get, in order that this gentleman's valuation may be published in Saturday's "Telegraph." The total will be Herr Hess' donation to our Bomber Fund.

H.C.

DEATH DUTIES AMELIORATION

Persons Killed By Enemy
LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Estate of civilians killed by enemy action will henceforth not be liable to death duties on the normal scale.

Relief will be granted on the same terms as those applying to members of the armed forces killed on active service.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer told the House of Commons to-day that the new arrangement would be made retrospective to the beginning of the war.

WHITE HOUSE PICKETS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP).—The American Peace Mobilisation group continued its fifth day of picketing before the White House under a special police guard.

Last night, 20 soldiers, sailors and Marines attacked the marchers and one man was injured.

STOCK EXCHANGE

Cheerful Sentiment
LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was generally firm with sentiment cheerful. Leading industrial improved on country buying.

Kafir dividend payers met active Cape enquiry. Diamonds were also good. Oils were firm with Mexican Eagles and Anglo-Egyptians higher. Cit-edged bonds and home rails were about unchanged.

Among foreign bonds, Japanese and Chinese improved. Wall Street was quiet.

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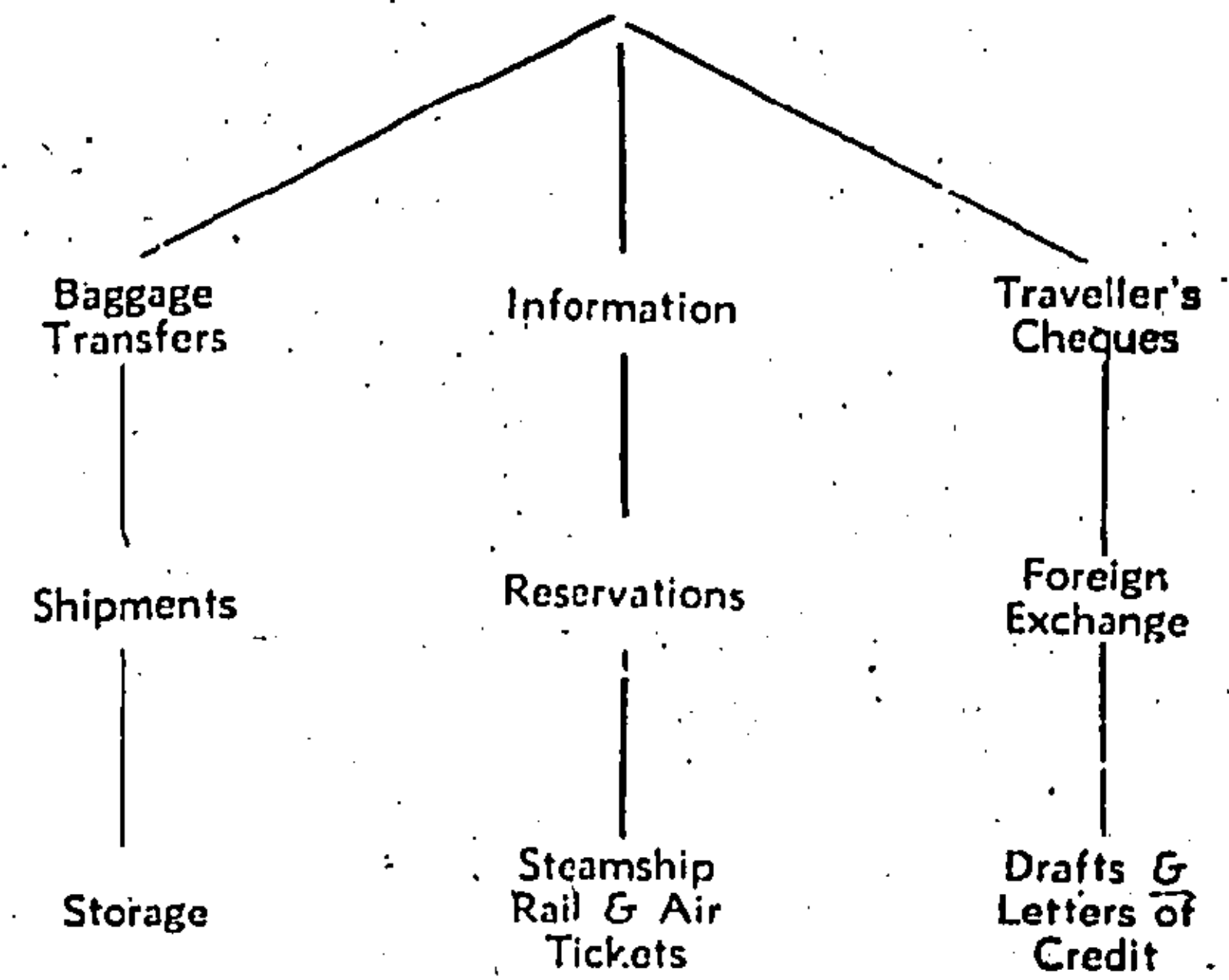
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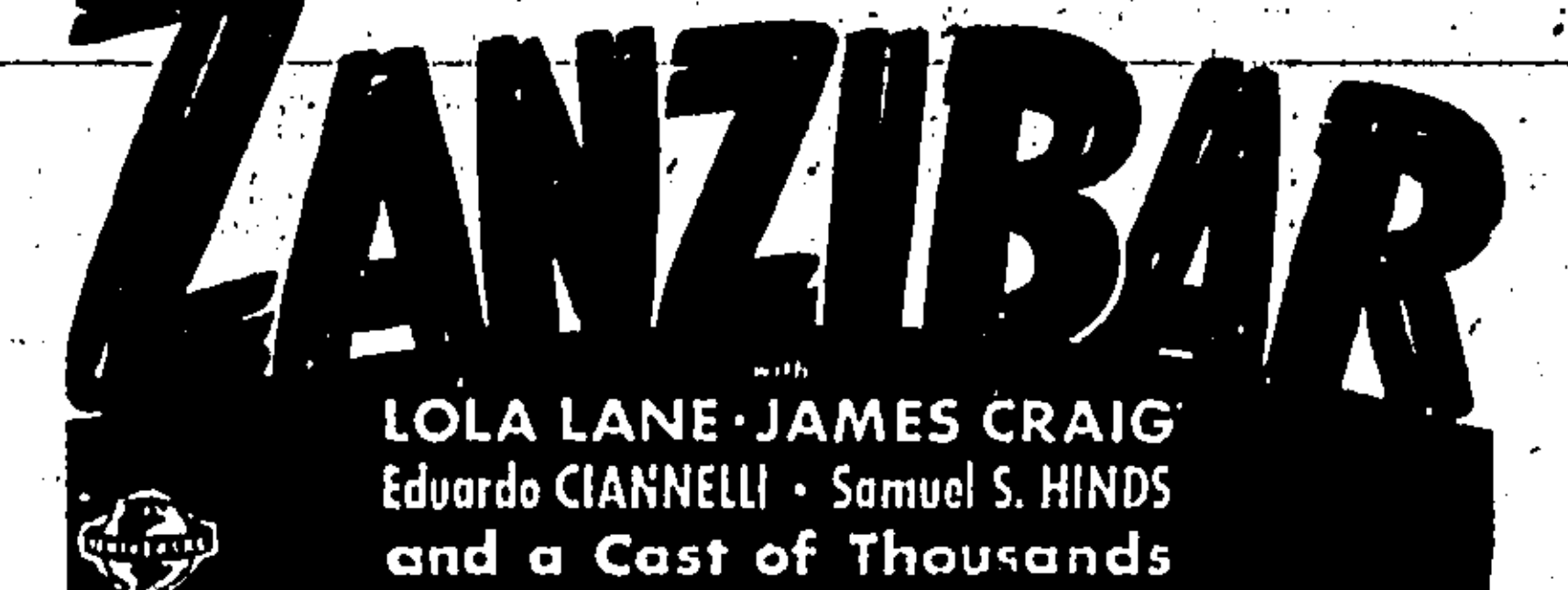
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Around The Courses

Difficult Conditions For Golf In Macao

Fairways And Sand Greens In Very Poor Shape

Macao Governor Interested

(By "Birdie")

A WEEK-END VISIT was made to Macao on Sunday, and though an enjoyable day was spent, golf suffered terribly through the poor conditions of the course. It is, as it were, still in the rough, and the most imperative improvements should be the cutting of the grass on the fairways and the softening of the greens.

The greens are of clay and not even the thin loose surface of sand can temper the penalties for pitching thereon. In its present condition the course is a very "sporty" one, though a local ruling makes one's shot always playable provided one is on the fairway.

This ruling is that on the fairway to the green it is permitted to tee up the ball—from outside the fairway one must play the ball where it lies.

In this respect the course is very playable, though the length of the grass on the fairways provides a fifty-fifty chance of losing the ball.

At the moment, however, there are difficulties in the way of improvements that must be appreciated. Firstly, the course is in the process of being drained and conditions underfoot are being made more comfortable.

As with the Country Club at Sheungshui, the clayed nature of the soil at Macao holds the rainwater for an unbelievably long time. But the work of drainage in under way at the moment.

Until this is done, the levelling of various parts cannot be attended to, nor can the grass be cut except by hand until the course is levelled.

But on the approaches to the greens, I think, the effort should be made, even by hand, for the greens themselves are very small, and it requires great accuracy to pitch on them. And when one pitches it is practically impossible to stay there. The only other way of getting there, therefore, is to pitch and run and this cannot be done when the grass is as long as it is.

PERHAPS first consideration should be given to the greens, for they are the easier to deal with. At the moment, their texture is like that of granite. Of course, the sun has been doing its share of the damage during the past two, or three weeks, for there has been no rain and they have been steadily baked harder and harder.

The only thing that can be done to them now is to have them dug up again. There is plenty of water available, for the main obstacle on the course is a great pond in the centre. This is about 5 feet deep near the edges and much more in the centre, and it is quite full. Use should be made of it to keep the greens in a constantly wet condition (after they have been dug).

I stood by on Sunday and watched one player put five consecutive balls into the middle of this pond, while a small host of boys splashed around like performing seals and dived to find them.

But it is going to be useless reconditioning these greens if there is going to be no ruling made about the wearing of studded shoes. After seeing some of the marks, I wonder it has not been made before.

These improvements would work wonders with the course, and being pleasantly situated away from the town the Club would become one of the main sports features of the Portuguese Colony. It is something that is worth the work that will be necessary.

THEIR Excellencies, the Governors of Hongkong and Macao, paid an informal visit to the Country Club, Sheungshui, on Saturday, and H.E. Cmdr G. M. Teixeira expressed his appreciation of the course. He showed a keen interest in golf which speaks itself for any encouragement that players in Macao may feel they need in progressing with their own course.

Junior Chess Matches

Two matches in the Junior Chess Championship of the Colony have been played this week. Last night Un Kwai-yung beat J. Tausz, and on Monday R. C. Gardner beat E. M. Petrov.

Club Matches

In the Junior Club competition, A. C. Poupard beat J. Grefalda in the first game of a three-game play-off.

Buddy Baer Beats Galento On T.K.O.

Tony Claims Broken Fist

WASHINGTON, May.—Buddy Baer, young Californian, was awarded a sixth-round technical knockout over Tony Galento last month when the New Jersey tavern-keeper's handlers claimed Tony broke his hand and was unable to continue.

Tony had been taking a bad beating after the first round of the fight, scheduled for 10. One of his handlers cut the tape on Tony's left glove during the intermission following the sixth. Referee Eddie Lafond ran to Galento's corner and ordered Tony not to remove the mitt.

Photographers jumped into the ring and Baer raced between a battery of cameras as the bell rang for the seventh.

Lafond declared Baer the winner when Tony's handlers insisted on removing the glove.

A boxing commission physician examined Galento's hand but declined to comment.

Doctor Reticent

Tony left the ring amid a chorus of boos and was taken to casualty hospital for X-rays to determine if his hand was broken. Dr. Marvin McLean, the commission's physician, accompanied him.

Dr. McLean refused to confirm Galento's claim of a break or serious injury and when Tony failed to appear early to-day for an X-ray examination at a hospital, the commission ordered the fighter's share of the purse held up.

Galento, his face swollen and his nose bleeding profusely, looked like a thoroughly beaten fighter.

About 8,500 fans paid around \$25,000 to see the bout.

H. Valley Summer Foursomes

The following is the draw for the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Happy Valley Summer Foursomes:

Byes into second round.—A. C. I. Bowker (7) and W. F. Simmons (18); V. G. E. Willerton (12) and T. J. Price (9); L. C. F. Bellamy (13) and V. Greaves (11); V. F. C. Barry (9) and W. Ahern (9); C. E. Moore (14) and J. H. B. Lee (11).

First Round.—J. Gellatly (18) and N. J. Bebbington (12) v. A. J. MacFadyen (18) and A. M. Muir (14); J. E. Dorey (18) and J. B. Trevor (17) v. A. L. Powell (18) and W. J. Buller (11); A. D. Humphreys (9) and L. M. S. Lloyd (12) v. R. Forrest (3) and J. W. Anderson (10); J. De Rome (8) and C. W. Reeve (11) v. H. H. Mundy (9) and W. Stoker (12); K. Mackenzie (6) and Col. E. D. Mathews (12) v. J. M. Thomson (9) and W. J. Booker (13); A. J. Dennis (6) and W. S. Hillier (7) v. J. Linaker (12) and G. W. Sewell (11).

Byes into second round.—R. Young (6) and G. M. Park (4); W. A. Stewart (9) and T. Low (10) v. H. Smith (8) and E. Greenwood (18); T. B. Low (11) and R. K. Collins (6) v. A. H. Penn (12) and J. R. Collis (13).

The first round must be held on the morning of June 1, the second on June 2, the third on June 3, the semi-final on July 13 and the final on July 27. It is notified that the Committee may alter the date if necessary on account of the weather.



The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo distributing the prizes at the Schools and Open Athletic Meet at Caroline Hill last week-end. Pui Ying College representative receiving championship award for "C" Grade competition.—Ming Yuen.

Twelve Teams Enter For Water Polo Tournament

First Matches Next Week

The water-polo tournament sponsored by the European Y.M.C.A. will begin on Tuesday. It is anticipated that the tournament, which has attracted 12 entries, will take about two and a half months to complete.

At a meeting yesterday Mr. R. Goldman (Chairman) presided and others present were Messrs A. F. May, L. A. Benn (Y.M.C.A.), Lieut. F. Carter (Navy), Lieut. H. A. Millar (Royal Scots and Army Water-polo Secretary), P.S.M. W. B. Ure (Middlesex), Ldg. Tel. E. F. Paul (Navy), Cpl. G. Bedford (Signals and Secretary of Combined Small Units), F. Willis (Asst. Secretary).

The Chairman said the 12 teams entered were Navy A, B, C, Royal Scots, Signals, Middlesex A, B, European Y.M.C.A., Combined Small Units, 8th Coastal Regiment, 5th A.A., 95th Defence Bty.

Sgt. Page, 5th A.A., was elected Artillery representative on the committee. It was proposed that each of the three swimming pools provide complete sets of caps and flags and two whistles. The home team will provide the ball. Both teams must provide a goal judge each. A fee of \$3 will be charged per team for entrance in order to purchase seven souvenir medals for the winning team.

Rules

The no-ducking rule will be strictly adhered to and the duration of games will be 10 minutes each half with a three minute interval. No extra time will be played in case of a draw. A player can play for only one team and in case of a naval player being transferred three months must elapse before he can become eligible for his new ship.

Two points will be awarded for a win and one for a draw.

The fixtures and referees for the first fortnight: May 20.—Middlesex v. Y.M.C.A. (Army), 6.45 p.m.; Lieut. Millar, Navy C. Signals (Y.M.C.A.), 7 p.m.; L/Cpl. Nichols. May 22.—Navy A v. 95th Bty. (Navy), 5.30 p.m.; P. B. M. Ure, 8th Coastal Regt v. Small Units (Army), 6.45 p.m.; Pte Jennings, Scots v. Middlesex B (Y.M.C.A.), 7 p.m.; F. Willis. May 24.—8th A.A. v. Navy B (Navy), 11 a.m.; Rutter, 8th Coastal Regt v. Middlesex B (Y.M.C.A.), 11 a.m.; Tel. Forrest. May 27.—Middlesex A v. Small Units (Y.M.C.A.), 7 p.m.; F. Willis. May 29.—Navy A v. Signals (Army), 6.45 p.m.; H. Goldman, Navy C v. 95th Defence Bty. (Navy), 5.30 p.m.; Sgt. McLaren, 5th A.A. Regt v. Navy B (Navy), 5 p.m.; Sig. McCann. June 1.—Navy A v. Y.M.C.A. (Army), 11 a.m.; Cpl. Bedford.

Famous Aussie Horse Bought For £6,825

MELBOURNE.—One of Australia's greatest racehorses, Ajax, which was purchased for £6,825 (about \$24,430 Canadian) by W. U. Smith last month, will be bred with several mares which will be sent in foal to join the stable of Louis B. Mayer in California. Ajax was withdrawn from racing after suffering an injury.

Sculls Champion Reported Missing

Pilot Officer Louis Barry, English professional sculling champion in 1936, is reported missing on active service. Pilot Officer Barry is a gunner and has been in the R.A.F. for about a year.

RUSSIAN AQUATIC RECORD BROKEN

MOSCOW, April 29 (Tass).—Yesterday in the five-town swimming and diving contest the first place for women in the free style 100 metres was won by Kochetkova of Moscow in 1 minute nine and half seconds which was one second better than her previous All-Union record.



"LIFE IN DEAD PAN"—First-prize picture in sixth annual exhibit of New York Press Photographers Association. It shows Joe Louis in bout with Arturo Godoy, with Joe's face registering emotion. Title, "Life in the Dead Pan." Picture taken by Joseph Costa of New York Daily News.

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"B" (away) v. C.S.C.C.—C. M. Silva, C. H. Basto, J. C. Remedios and J. J. Basto; F. A. Machado, D. C. Alves, E. Souza and B. Basto; C. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues and A. P. Guterres.

2nd Div. (home) v. P.O.C.—E. L. Barros, N. Beltrao, C. M. S. Alves and O. P. Remedios; A. J. Osorio, A. V. Barros, F. A. Xavier and J. R. Soares; A. F. Noronha, F. J. A. Marques, C. A. Lopes and J. A. Remedios.

3rd Div. (away) v. H.K.F.C.—A. A. Roza, F. X. Monteiro, M. F. Pinna, and P. A. Ivanovitch; F. J. Almeida, A. Cunha, A. R. Alves and M. A. Carvalho; L. A. Rozario, H. M. Xavier, M. Mendonca and M. Alarcon.

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Death Sentence On Malay For Murder

After a trial lasting six days, a Malay, Haji Suleiman bin Haji Abdul Wahid, was found guilty at the Perak Assizes of murdering Mrs Mary Zainah Maxwell. Mr Justice Horne passed sentence of death on the accused.

The Maxwells were found shot dead in their bungalow at Maryland Estate in the early hours of last Nov. 7. Mr Maxwell was found to have been shot dead while he was asleep, while Mrs Maxwell's body was found huddled up in a cupboard. Ramah, ten-year-old daughter of the Maxwells, lived to tell the story of the shooting.

During the trial witnesses—drivers and conductors—said they saw Haji Suleiman leaving Taiping for Sagor on the day in question, having with him a woman's bicycle.

Accused, who said he was a former driver of the Maxwells, gave an alibi in his defence. He admitted visiting the Maxwells on Nov. 5 to settle a question of wages and at the same time to give them greetings. He said he returned to Taiping the same evening and on the following day went to work as usual and saw a performance at a park that night with his wife and daughter.

The prosecution withdrew a second charge of the murder of Mr C. N. Maxwell, against the accused.

PIONEER OFFICER IS GERMAN

For the first time in this war the King's Commission has been granted to a German. He is a refugee serving with the Pioneer Corps.

This German was one of the first "enemy aliens" to enlist when the Pioneers accepted them early last year.

He served with the Corps in Britain, and later in France, and took part in the evacuation from Dunkirk.

He has been given the rank of Second-Lieutenant after having received training on the same lines as British candidates for commissions.

Anti-Nazi

The new officer, who is under thirty, was forced to leave Germany because of his anti-Nazi activities.

Hitherto all officers commanding foreign units of the Pioneer Corps were British.

German Pioneers have been doing clearance work in the bombed parts of London and elsewhere.

Caldbeck, Macgregor's Pay Dividend \$7.50

At the annual general meeting of Messrs Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co., Ltd. held in Shanghai on April 30, after making substantial increases to Reserves, a final dividend of \$5 was declared on the ordinary shares, making a total of \$7.50 per share for the 12 months.

In addition to this, donations to War Funds were approved amounting to \$219,000.

Margaret Bourke-White Describes Chungking

Famed for her documentary photography, Miss Margaret Bourke-White proved from Chungking that she is equally capable of documenting in words any situation that strikes her as interesting. Visiting China's war capital as a team for "Life" magazine with her famous author-playwright husband, Erskine Caldwell, Miss Bourke-White complied with a request from United China Relief, Inc. of New York and broadcast her impressions of Chungking and Free China from Chungking's International Broadcasting Station.

Said broadcaster Bourke-White: "The hardest thing to realise is the sheer number of people who have been made homeless by this war. This war has put more people on the march, caused more shifts of population, caused more sheer volume of misery than any war in history.

"Even the face of the map has been changed. When the Yellow River dykes were bombed out, the course of the river was changed and the old valley where millions of people lived and raised their crops dried up. It is as if the Mississippi River were diverted from flowing into the Gulf of Mexico and flowed instead into the Atlantic Ocean through Georgia.

"A dust bowl developed where these millions of people lived and these hordes too are on the march, indirect victims of war.

"So the building and excavating go on: a constant tapping and splitting of rock and carrying away spoonfuls of earth in the slow steady way the Chinese have worked for centuries. And in the midst of this steady building of new houses and new shelters, at the same time, steady pace, the bombardments come and the people have to build their houses all over again.

"So the temporary dwellings become even more temporary in appearance. I visited some by the great steps that lead down to the Yangtze. . . . The new ones that they build are entirely of bamboo.

"People wear bamboo in this country, eat it raw or boiled, weave it into houses, use it instead of iron pipes in factories, bind their rafters together with it, and use it instead of nails.

"When I walked into one of the apartments, I was astonished to see the most beautiful wall paper I had seen in Chungking. I looked closely and saw it was made of hundreds of wrappings for sardine cans, pasted up to make a pattern.

"The occupants had found the brightly coloured papers in the ruins of a shop blasted out in an air raid and had brought them home to make their new modern apartment more beautiful.

"However, for one group of apartments like this that I describe, there are countless millions of families living under a grass rug strung between three poles, living even under an umbrella stuck in the sand.

On Warphans

"There are bright spots in the dark picture. One is the War Orphanage in the outskirts of Chungking. This is the special war baby of the beau-

tiful and hard-working Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

"In all of Madame Chiang's war orphanages there are 30,000 orphans. Actually there are hundreds of thousands of orphans in China, created when their parents were killed in bombing or fighting when their homes were destroyed, when those areas had to be hastily evacuated so that thousands of children became hopelessly lost and separated from their families.

"In between raising pigs and vegetables and climbing into dugouts during air raids, the children take their arithmetic lessons. . . . But in learning to count they use all the symbols of war. They have cut out little pictures and pasted them on the blackboard. Under "1" they have pasted a cut of a bombing plane. Number "2" is represented by two anti-aircraft guns. The other numbers are illustrated by rifles, sabres and so on.

"But when they get to "10" I was pleased to see that childhood interests reasserted themselves—they had cut out pictures of ten butterflies. But there is more of bombing than of butterflies in their childish lives.

Factories

"From the rocky peak above the war orphanage shelter one can get a very good view of Chungking. Down in the valley near the broad and always misty Yangtze, it is possible to pick out some of the factories if you know where to look for them.

"They are strange sights. Their smokestacks are camouflaged like trees, covered with branches and draped with nets painted green. And it is not enough to cover a smokestack with branches. You must replace them with fresh branches every few days.

"Some of the factories can only be found if someone who trusts you will tell you where they are. They are carved into the earth under vegetable gardens. Underneath, carved into caverns of earth and rock are generators, lathes, milling machines and vital machines of all kinds. These machines have a history of being carried piece by piece for hundreds of miles on coolie backs, in river sampans, in hand carts.

"This broadcast is going out from transmitters sunk deep in reinforced concrete and stone dugout underground. The engineering staff works entirely underground and all the vital caves of solid rock.

Boy Averages Death Of Officer

On his first trip to sea, a seventeen-year-old boy of West Hartlepool (Co. Durham) avenged the death of an officer who was killed at his side while fighting a German plane.

The boy, John Verrall, volunteered to help the third officer at the ship's gun when the raider swooped on the ship and machine-gunned the decks.

When the officer fell, killed by the German's rear gun, John took over the ship's gun and fired on the raider each time it swooped.

Then the aircraft's rear gun fired no more: the gunner had been hit by John Verrall's gun.

Ship Abandoned

But four of the ship's crew, as well as the third officer, were killed by the German's bombs and bullets and the ship had to be abandoned. The story of John Verrall's pluck was told when the survivors landed at a west coast port.

John, who was messroom boy, told a reporter that he knew enough to keep the gun firing. "I meant to get the rear gunner if I could," he said.

Army Smokes Rationed

Ten cigarettes a day will be the unofficial ration of Army officers and men while the present shortage lasts, Lieut.-Colonel R. A. D. Allott, Western Command N.A.A.F.I. supervisor, said.

"We in the Army are really worse off for cigarettes than civilians," said Colonel Allott. "There is no preferential treatment between officers and men. Both get the same number."

Some Army units in the north are handing out coupons for two twenty-packets per man weekly. They must be surrendered when cigarettes are bought at the unit's N.A.A.F.I. but there is nothing to prevent soldiers buying extra smokes from other sources.

The rationing affects men in all services, but officials of the Imperial Tobacco Company said



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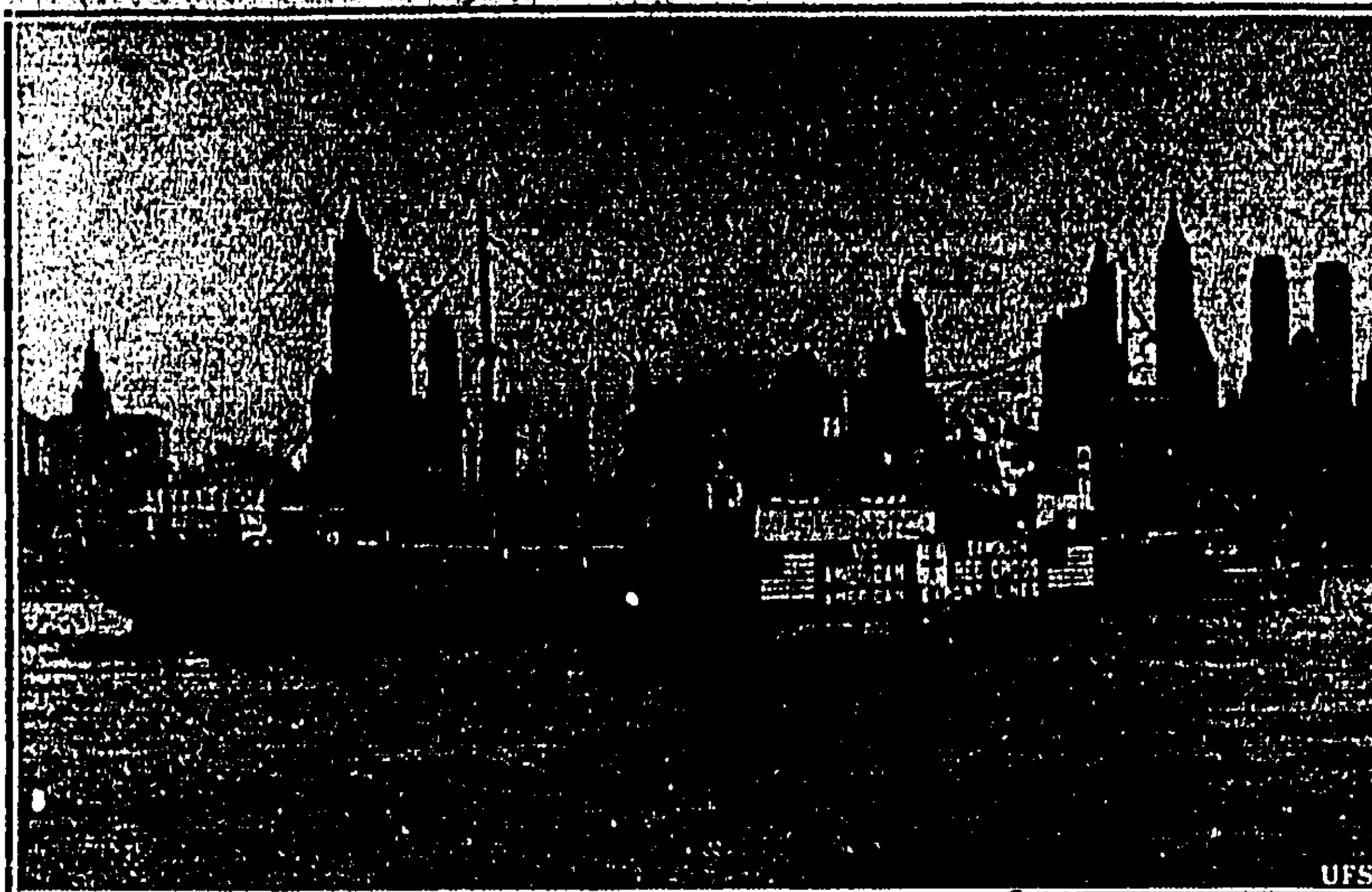
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Hollanders Happy In Allied Sub. Flotilla

(By "Reuter's" Correspondent With Home Fleet)

ABOARD A DUTCH SUBMARINE, May 13.—"An underwater League of Nations" such is a certain submarine flotilla now serving with the Allies. Besides British, it contains Dutch, French and Polish submarines, all working in excellent co-operation.

How the Dutch vessels came to join the forces with the British Navy despite attempts of German bombers to prevent them was told by C. H. Pul, the 34-year-old commander of this Dutch submarine in his tiny cabin well beneath the surface of the sea.

"My submarine and another were at large when Holland was overrun," he said. "I fled to Halifax, Nova Scotia, and joined the British and later crossed the Atlantic to Britain. Altogether we must have covered 10,000 miles."

"Three other Dutch submarines patrolling off the Dutch coast slipped over to Britain too, accompanied by others which were only half completed. They were dive-bombed by the Germans on the way, but escaped undamaged."

"When we arrived in Britain, we expected that there might be difficulties but only a few minor ones arose and these were soon straightened out; co-operation between ourselves and the British is excellent and this applies equally to the Poles and French."

Liaison Officer

"As regards material and personnel, we are under the Netherlands naval headquarters in London, but operationally we are under British direction. A British Sub-Lieutenant on board acts as Liaison Officer."

"A great piece of luck is that the British torpedoes fit our tubes. The problem of spare parts has been solved."

"Many volunteers in the Netherlands 'East Indies' have applied to join us and some have come over."

"We started giving our crews English lessons, but these were discontinued when we found that they picked up the language quickly without them."

Married British Girls

"The officers and men are happy and enthusiastic: five of them have married British girls."

The Captain, who has served 11 years in submarines, showed me over the vessel which was as snug and span as a Dutch household. "When we sailed from Holland originally, we expected to be away only six weeks. We have been away a year now."

Mass Air Attacks On Fleet Fail

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barrage and at "cease fire" a thick fog suddenly descended.

No Casualties

We suffered no casualties or damage.

The engagement occurred during the seven days' routine operations in the Central Mediterranean during which convoys were successfully made in various directions, light forces bombarded Benghazi harbour and the Fleet Air Arm shot down seven enemy aircraft in various minor attempts by Axis aviators against our ships.

All pay tribute to the untiring and magnificent work of the Fleet Air Arm in driving off formations while still several miles distant from the Fleet.

A Week's Work

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Two bombardments of Benghazi, which have already been announced, and various convoy movements have been carried out by British naval units operating in the Central Mediterranean during the period, May 6-12.

An Admiralty communique states that during these operations nine enemy aircraft were shot down and one was damaged, while two British fighters were lost.

Despite the usual exaggerated claims by the enemy, no damage of any sort was sustained by the British ships during these operations. Thus, adds the communique, during the period from May 6 to 12, British naval forces in the Mediterranean have destroyed a total of 16 enemy aircraft and damaged at least six others.

Berlin Fears Hess Divulges Secrets

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be made in the near future regarding the flight to this country of this very high important Nazi leader," declared Mr Winston Churchill in the House of Commons today when invited to make a statement about Rudolf Hess.

The Labour member, Mr Lawson, raised the question of the German wireless reference to "total instability" and asked whether the Premier had any information on the matter.

Another member asked whether the Premier was taking steps with the Minister of Information to see that "this piece of news is dealt with skill and imagination."

Mr Churchill said that this is one of those cases in which imagination is somewhat baffled by the facts as they present themselves (Laughter).

Other supplementary questioners begged Mr Churchill to bear in mind Herr Hess' record of devotion to the evil genius of Europe (Cheers) and questioning the prudence of announcing that Hess was in a Glasgow hospital as being unfair to the people of Glasgow who might possibly expect a rain of bombs.

The Prime Minister declared: "He will not always be in Glasgow."

Seething Comment

NEW YORK, May 13 (Reuter).—The German suggestion that Hess is suffering from hallucinations and that his plane crashed as the result of an accident is scathingly set aside by the "Baltimore Sun."

"His real crash," the newspaper says, "was when he crashed into the headlines. What is significant is that when a Nazi gets fed up, his only safe course is to flee to the very country he had formerly sworn to put down. Whoever heard of a fed-up Briton fleeing to Germany?"

Nazi Hierarchy Doomed

SYDNEY, May 13 (Reuter).—"Hess' flight indicates a realisation within the Nazi hierarchy that Germany is unable to win the war against civilisation," said the Acting Prime Minister, Mr A. W. Fadden, today.

"The German radio is right. Hess has been suffering from a disease which has been progressing for years. He was, but not now. The disease is Nazism which has done more harm to the world in less than 10 years than all the scourges in history."

Mr Fadden added that millions of Nazis, deluded with false promises, must now be occupied with a single idea: "If this is what Hess thinks of the war, what are we to think?"

In the opinion of Mr W. M. Hughes, Minister for the Navy, "the flight indicates the first crack in the granite of the Nazi temple."

Old Nurse's Views

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—"I refuse to believe that Rudy is insane: there is either a serious Nazi split or else he has formed a far-reaching plan," declared Frau Paula, the old nurse of Rudolf Hess, in an exclusive interview with "Reuter."

Frau Paula added: "I nursed him until he was a grown-up boy. He was broadminded, of strong character and extremely honest. From early childhood, he has wanted German invincibility and has always fought for top place whether at school or elsewhere."

"He often used to discuss important political questions with his father."

Hess, who was born in Egypt, received his early schooling there.

NAZI PARTY STATEMENT

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and in the complete destruction of the British Empire.

No Clear Notion

"Hess, whose sphere of activity, as is known, lay exclusively within the Party, did not have a clear notion about this act or its consequences, as may be deduced from the notes he left."

"The National Socialist Party regrets that this idealist fell victim to such fatal delusions. By this act nothing has been changed in the prosecution of the war against Britain forced upon the German people. It will be continued, as the Fuehrer announced in his last speech, until the British leaders have been overthrown or are ready for peace."

No Russian Comment

MOSCOW, May 13 (UP).—The press today published the German communique of the Hess flight without making any further comment.

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Actress' Divorce Suit Fails
The divorce suit brought by Betty Compton, film actress wife of Jimmy Walker, ex-Mayor of New York, was dismissed by a Key West (Florida) court.

New I.L.O. Director
Mr Edward J. Phelan, Deputy Director of the International Labour Organisation, has assumed the Directorship until the Governing Body appoints a new Director to succeed Mr John G. Winant.

Mr Phelan, who is 51 years of age, is a native of Waterford, and was in the British Civil Service until the formation of the I.L.O., with which he has been associated from the first.

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BERLIN FEARS HESS WILL DIVULGE WAR SECRETS TO BRITAIN

Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, MAY 13 (UP).—AUTHORISED GERMAN QUARTERS TO-DAY ANTICIPATED THE POSSIBILITY THAT HESS MAY MAKE PUBLIC STATEMENTS AND DECLARED: "WE SHALL NOT RECOGNIZE ANY UTTERANCE HESS MAY MAKE IN ENGLAND. WE KNOW THE BRITISH WILL MAKE EVERY CRUDE MIS-USE OF THIS SITUATION. WHO KNOWS BY WHAT UGLY MEANS SOME SORT OF CONFESSION MAY BE EXTRACTED FROM HIM? WE CANNOT EVEN KNOW IF HE ACTUALLY MAKES ANY STATEMENTS WHICH MAY BE CREDITED TO HIM."

Hess Escaped To 'Save Humanity'

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 13 (UP).—Rudolf Hess fled to England with a fanatical desire to "save humanity" from the tragedy of a full Russo-German partnership, British quarters declared to-day.

HOME GUARDS' STORY OF TALK WITH HESS

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—During his stay at the McLean farmhouse, Rudolf Hess was in the custody of two British Home Guards, Jack Peterson and Robert Gibson, it is now revealed.

The Guards declared that Hess said: "I had no bombs in my plane, so don't worry." He had a map on which his route from Augsburg to Scotland was marked in blue pencil.

Hess said that he had never been in Britain before, but did not seem to be at all worried.

"He was the calmest man in the party," one of the Guards continued. "When offered a cigarette, he said that he did not smoke. He was surprised to find that we had plenty of milk and drank half a glassful.

"He complained that he felt somewhat cramped after being in the plane so long and that his ankle was very painful.

"He had a camera strapped round his neck but assured us that he had not taken any photos."

A Souvenir

Before leaving the farm, Hess thanked the Home Guards for their kindness and presented one of them with a drinking cup as a souvenir.

A collection of compressed food was found on him by his military escort. He told them that he had fitted an extra petrol tank to the plane so long and that it would cover the journey and dropped the extra tank into the sea as he approached the Scottish coast.

Hess circled for a long time over the spot where he landed but in the gathering darkness he could not find a suitable landing place. He then climbed several thousand feet, threw the plane over on its back and switched off the engine. Just as he was falling out of the upturned machine, he again switched on the engine and sent the plane hurtling to earth while he himself fell clear.

This sensational theory was advanced after it had been disclosed that the Hess plane was riddled with Spitfire bullets. It is reported that Hess' first words were "I have come to save humanity."

Doctors said that Hess is wholly sane and that he did not bring any peace proposals or other messages from Hitler or the Nazi Party.

Core Is Rotten

Authoritative quarters declared that Hess left his wife and child and escaped the Nazis "because the core of Germany is rotten."

Another fantastic phase of the war's greatest sensation developed with the revelation that the Duke of Hamilton, on whose estate Hess landed, belonged to the now proscribed Anglo-German Fellowship Association.

Hess is believed to have met the Duke while the latter was engaged on the Mount Everest flying expedition in which Hess was also interested. The Duke of Hamilton is reported to be serving abroad with the R.A.F.

One responsible person remarked, "Hess appears to have got religion."

Beaverbrook's New Job

On Defence Committee

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Lord Beaverbrook's functions and constitutional status were further defined by Mr Winston Churchill in the House of Commons to-day.

The Cabinet Defence Committee will work in two sections—operations and supply. Mr Clement Attlee will be Deputy Chairman of the former and Lord Beaverbrook of the latter. Lord Beaverbrook will also act as referee on majority questions.

Roosevelt Pays Visit To Crete

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—Captain James Roosevelt, eldest son of President Roosevelt, has returned from a short visit to Crete where he delivered to the King of the Hellenes a letter from his father.

Nazis' No. 1 Diplomatic Intriguer In Ankara

ANKARA, May 13 (Reuter).—The German Ambassador, Herr Franz von Papen, whose return from Germany where he had been having consultations with Nazi leaders had been expected for some time, arrived in Ankara this evening.

He came by air from Salzburg where, according to German sources, he saw Hitler yesterday.

Herr von Papen was accompanied by his wife and daughter.

Carrying a yellow cane and a black hat, Herr von Papen looked like a fashion plate when he stepped from his aeroplane.

Satellites' Greeting
Axis diplomats rushed to greet him, the Hungarian Minister reminding

Herr von Papen that he was dining at the Hungarian Legation to-night.

Frau von Papen and daughter, in white German motoring costumes, accompanied the Ambassador.

The party entered an open Mercedes which led back to Ankara a long cavalcade of Lanchias, Opel and Mercedes.

Ferd's taxi marshalled by the accompanying newspaper correspondents struck the only discordant note in this atmosphere of splendour.

When queried if Hess will be dismissed from the Nazi Party, it was asserted: "There has been no formal steps taken but obviously such a man is not worthy of being a member."

The German public was first informed that Hess was in Scotland when the German radio began its regular 2 p.m. newscast with the official Party announcement which said that Hess "better than anyone else, is acquainted with the peace proposals which came from the bottom of the Fuehrer's heart. He apparently came to live in an illusion that personal sacrifice might prevent developments which in his eyes could end only with the complete destruction of the British Empire."

Nazi Party Statement On Hess Trap By British Suggested

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Nazi Party's "explanation" of Hess' flight to Scotland is now issued in the Party bulletin which declares:

"A perusal of the papers left behind by Hess discloses that he laboured under the delusion that a step taken on his personal initiative with Englishmen whom he formerly knew would lead to an understanding being reached between Germany and Britain.

"He has actually, as has been confirmed by a report from London, landed in Scotland by parachute near a place he wished to visit and was presumably picked up there injured.

"Rudolf Hess, as was known to the Party, for years suffered increasingly in a physical sense and took refuge in various forms of hypnotism, astrology, etc. Attempts to elucidate to what extent these people are to blame for causing Hess' mental disturbance, which led him to take this step, are being made.

Trap By British

"It is also conceivable that Hess in the end was led into a trap by the British.

"The whole manner of his action confirms, however, the fact already given in the first report that he suffered from delusions. He, better than any one else, knew of the many peace offers made by the Fuehrer which came from the bottom of his heart. Apparently he laboured under an impression that by personal sacrifice he could prevent a development which, in his eyes, would only

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Malta Holds Off Raiders

Negligible Damage

MALTA, May 13 (Reuter).—Successful attacks were made on Malta last night by Axis aircraft with little success.

A British communique says that despite a number of bombs dropped, there were no service or civilian casualties and almost negligible civilian damage was done.

This morning, the attacks were followed up by escorted reconnaissance planes and this afternoon a small bomber formation, escorted by a large number of fighters, dropped bombs, causing little damage.

Patrolling Hurricanes engaged the enemy fighters and some of these were seen to be damaged.

Late Claims Add To Nazi Air Losses

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).

"There has been very slight enemy air activity to-day and there are no reports of any bombs dropped," says an Air Ministry communique.

Activity was in the coastal areas, mainly in the southwest.

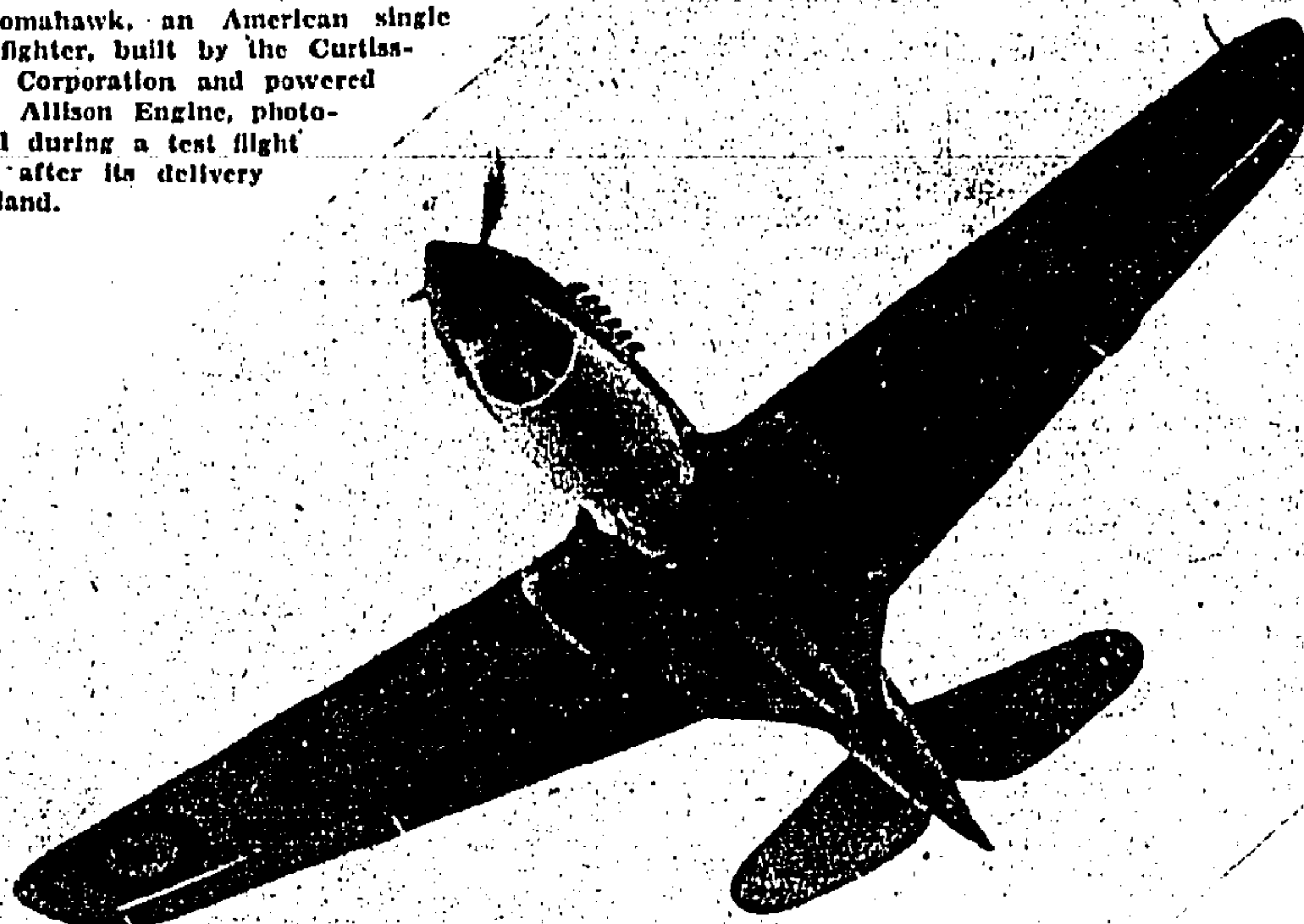
One enemy aircraft was shot down into the sea by fighters.

It is now known that the total of enemy aircraft destroyed in daylight on Thursday, May 8, was 18, an extra one having been claimed by the ground defences at a searchlight station.

The destruction of three more enemy aircraft on the night of May 11 is now confirmed, making the total that night 22 enemy bombers.

American Aid For Britain

The Tomahawk, an American single seater fighter, built by the Curtiss-Wright Corporation and powered by one Allison Engine, photographed during a test flight shortly after its delivery to England.



Mass Air Attacks On Fleet In Moonlit Mediterranean Fail

("Reuter's" Correspondent With the Mediterranean Fleet)

ABOARD H.M.S. BARHAM, May 13 (Reuter).—How more than 30 warships beat off an attempt by enemy aircraft to turn the "Taranto" story on the British battle Fleet while steaming in the Central Mediterranean, can now be told.

No damage was sustained by any British ship in this engagement which was briefly reported in the Admiralty communique on Saturday. The encounter produced the heaviest and most spectacular night barrage I have yet seen, with the firing continuing almost ceaselessly for forty-five minutes against enemy torpedo bombers.

2,000,000 Tons of Ships For Britain Next Month

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP).—Informed circles to-day stated that the President's goal of 2,000,000 tons of shipping for immediate service to Britain will be reached in mid-June.

ABYSSINIA Italians Come In Out Of The Rain

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).

British operations in Amba Alagi area, Abyssinia, are continuing to develop satisfactorily and British troops, advancing on the town, have captured a further 200 Italians, according to a G.H.Q. communique.

In the south, despite heavy rains, the Imperial forces are continuing to advance in all areas.

In the lake district south of Addis Ababa, Imperial troops have successfully assaulted an enemy position, inflicting heavy casualties and capturing 13 Italian and 143 African prisoners.

Peer In Group Wiped Out By Bomb

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire was killed by a bomb on Monday night together with his secretary and five other people.

The Earl, who had a colourful career, succeeded to the title at the age of 11. Since then he had been a Guards Officer, an apprentice in the mercantile marine and a farm hand in Australia.

At the outbreak of war, he became Liaison Officer for the Scientific Department in France.

SIMLA, May 13 (Reuter).—The Indian Army, it is announced, will have shorter bayonets, which are found to be more effective in patrol work.

Johnson Leaving For Hongkong

CHUNGKING, May 14 (Central News).—Mr Nelson T. Johnson, the outgoing United States Ambassador to China, called on Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek yesterday afternoon to bid farewell. He had supper with the Generalissimo.

Mr Johnson is leaving for Hongkong by plane. He will be accompanied by Mr T. Elliot Well, third secretary of the American Embassy, and Captain James McHugh, assistant naval attaché. He will stay in Hongkong until May 21. He will go to America by Clipper.

Darkness prevented us from ascertaining the results of the

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Labour Party Scores Big Gains In N.S.W.

SYDNEY, May 13 (Reuter).—In consequence of a heavy swing to Labour manifested in the New South Wales elections, supporters of Dr Herbert Evatt, the Labour member of the Advisory War Council, consider that his position has been strengthened in Federal politics.

Future developments depend largely on the result of the Federal by-election at Boothby, South Australia.

A win for Labour will be immediately followed by a demand for the resignation of the Commonwealth Government.

The Labour leader, Mr John Curtin, declared: "Victory will be a

complete vindication of Labour's programme of giving Labour half the seats in the House of Representatives."

If, however, the Commonwealth Government retains Boothby, according to expectations, pressure for the formation of a National Government will probably be answered by Dr Evatt's supporters who are already urging replacement of Mr Curtin by him.

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CAR KILLS SMALL BOY

Indian Guilty of Driving
Without Proper Care

Yakob Khan, of 93 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, was convicted by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, J.C., at Central Magistrate's Court yesterday, of driving a car without due care and caution. It was stated that a small boy was killed. Khan was ordered to pay \$50 compensation to the parents of the deceased child in lieu of a fine.

Defendant was summoned for driving car No. 3539 in Gloucester Road, about 9.30 a.m. on April 4, without due care and caution, by failing to ascertain that the car was clear of children before commencing to drive.

Traffic Serjeant R. D. Paton prosecuted, and Defendant was represented by Mr. F. G. Nigel.

Sgt. Paton stated that Defendant's car was parked near the sea wall facing east, and when Defendant commenced to drive it away he looked up at the houses on the other side of Gloucester Road. It was alleged that Defendant failed to see a group of children who were a few feet in front of the car. The result was that one of them was run over and killed.

Kwok Cheong, boatman, said that he was sitting near the sea wall when he saw Defendant driving the car away. There were four young boys about eight feet away in front of the car, and the driver was looking up at some houses to his right. The car ran into one of the boys, and he was of the opinion that the number plate knocked the child down. When somebody shouted to Defendant that someone had been knocked down, he reversed his car, and one of the wheels ran over an arm of the child.

Mr. Nigel cross-examined the witness suggested that the child was so close to the car that Defendant could not have seen him. Witness maintained that the child was eight feet away.

Woman's Evidence. Chan Sze, married woman, said that she usually slept under the verandah outside 94 Gloucester Road. On the morning of April 4 she saw four young boys sitting down about 12 feet in front of Defendant's car. She saw Defendant later get into the car and as it was being driven slowly away Defendant looked up at some houses. She did not hear any horn sounded. Shortly after this she saw the car knock down and run over one of the boys.

Defendant in evidence said that he was instructed by his master to take the car to 'Dodwell's Service Station'. When he proceeded to drive it away, he sounded his horn. He saw in front of him only a number of Chinese adults. After driving a short distance he heard shouts of 'Se yan' (dead body). He immediately stopped, but the car rolled on. He got out and saw Chinese run up to him and brought up the deceased from underneath the car. Defendant said he did not know how the car could have knocked down the child as he was sure there were no children in front when he drove it.

In answer to Mr. Nigel, Defendant said that he had had seven years' experience as a driver, and had not been involved in any accident.

Could Not Be Seen. Mr. Nigel submitted that even if there were children about, they were in such a position that they could not have been seen by Defendant. He said that even if it should be proved that Defendant's car ran over and killed the child, it was not the wheel that did it, but the hydraulic jack which was inside the wheel and about 5 1/2" from the ground. He also said that motor cars now-a-days were no longer any allurement, and people should not be so curious as to sit on the footboard or underneath a car where they could not be seen. He said that it was certainly no duty of any driver to walk round his car to make sure nobody was about before he drove it.

Convicting Defendant, his Worship said that he accepted the evidence of the witnesses. He proposed, instead of fining him, that Defendant should pay \$50 compensation to the child's parents in this unhappy incident.

New I.L.O. Director. Mr. Edward J. Phelan, Deputy Director of the International Labour Organisation, has assumed the Directorship until the Governing Body appoints a new Director to succeed Mr. John G. Winant.

Mr. Phelan, who is 51 years of age, is a native of Watford, and was in the British Civil Service until the formation of the I.L.O., with which he has been associated from the first.

Release Of Captured Greeks And Serbs. LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The "Globe" has been informed that when German troops speak of civility it is to make a virtue of necessity, which the freeing of Greek and Yugoslav prisoners shows.

They must be released to provide workers for fields and industries.

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill had an audience of the King to-day.

M. Charles Birder, General de Gaulle's Far Eastern representative, arrived in Hongkong yesterday on an inspection tour of the Free French organisations in East Asia.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventy-second Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 31st May, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

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All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

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Providents \$4.65

Hotels \$2.85

Electricity \$11.25

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Electricity X. \$12.25

Electricity Y. \$11.75

Macao Electric \$19

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 19th day of May, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Pokfulam Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 21 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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12.30 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan.

"Tollan"—Overture. The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra cond. by Stanford Robinson; "The Yeomen of the Guard"—Vocal Gems...Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra; "Trial by Jury" Hark, the Hour of Ten is Sounding...George Baker and Chorus; Is this the Court of the Exchequer?...Derek Olden Love Chorus; When First my Old Love Chorus; Chorus; All Hail Great Judge; Chorus; "The Gondoliers"—To Help Unhappy Commoners...Henry Lytton and Bertha Lewis with Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Reginald Foot at the Organ.

1.13 Hawaiian Selections.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Variety.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

7.30 Dance Music.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Amy Woodforde—Finden's "Four Indian Love Lyrics" sung by Nelson Eddy (Bartlett).

8.16 An Orchestral and Violin Programme.

With the Classics—Medley (arr. Sidney Crook); Intro. Polonaise (Chopin); Moment Musical (Schubert); Nocturne (Chopin); March (Tchaikovsky); Waltz of the Flowers (Tchaikovsky); William Tell Overture (Rossini); Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy (Tchaikovsky); Minute Waltz (Chopin); Hungarian Rhapsody (Liszt); Alfredo Campoli and his Concert Orchestra; Intermezzo (Sousville de Vienne); Helax and Vosty; Melodi (Skold); Otto Kyndel (Violin) with piano accomp.; Pan American (Herbert)...Columbia Symphony Orchestra; In My Heart—Hungarian Melody (Miskak); Bird Songs at Eventide (Eric Coates); Georges Tzipine (violin) with organ; Hungarian Dance No. 5 (Brahms); Dark Eyes (Russian Gipsy Air); Rode and his Tziganes; African Serenade (Boulanger); American Vision (Boulanger)...George Boulanger (Violin) with piano accomp.; The Midnight Waltz (Amodio); Neapolitan Nights (Zamecnick)...London Novelty Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.15 Compositions of Faure.

9.45-10.00 News in French (On Short Wave Only).

9.45 The Kentucky Minstrels.

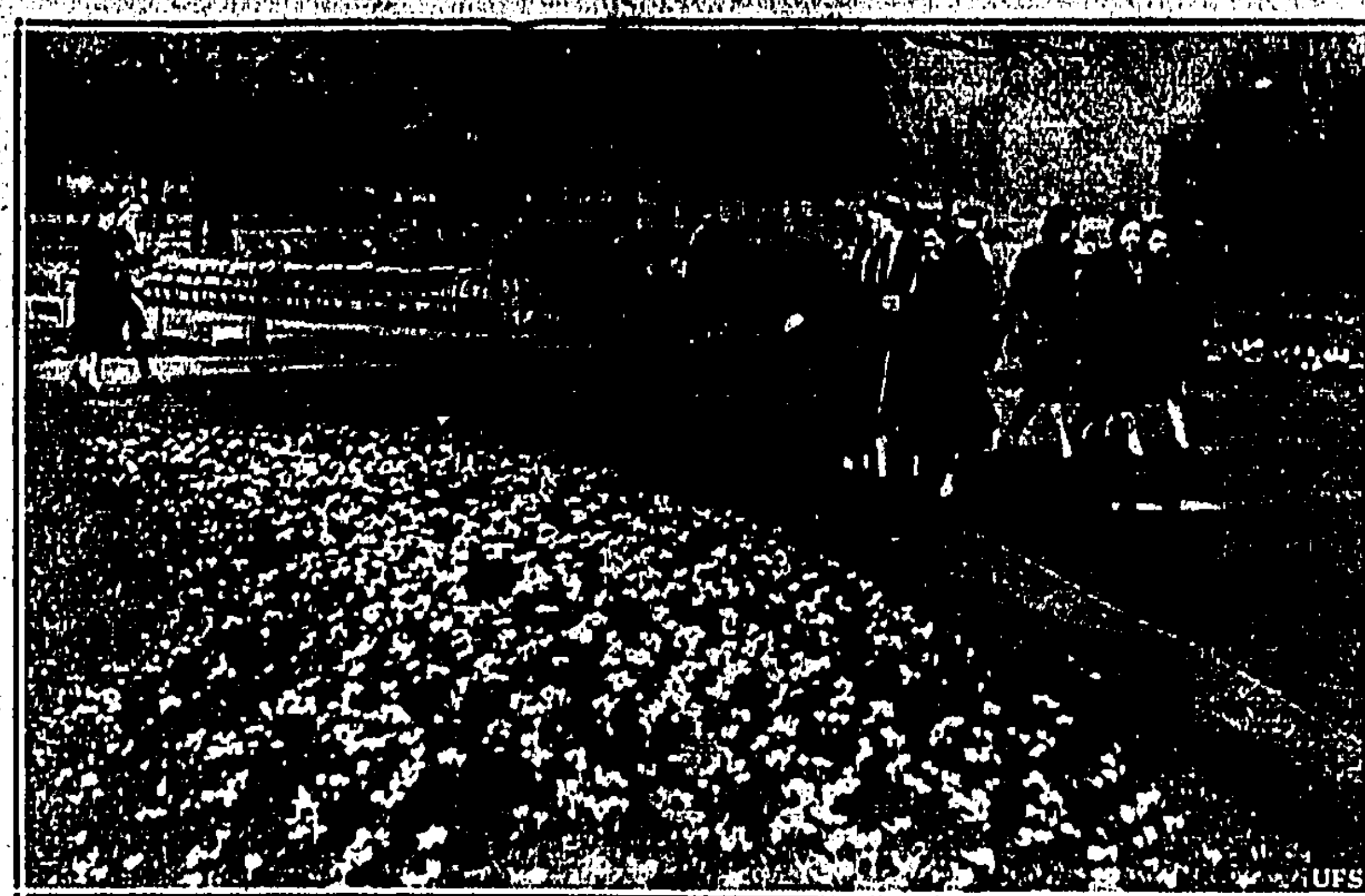
10.00 Studio—The Fourth of a series of Talks on Drama of Yesterday and To-day by Evelyn Wood. Illustrated by scenes from Classical and Modern Plays.

Those taking part are: Jess Graham-Barrow, Sheila Mackinlay, Vera Murray, Cyril Champkin, H. L. Duncan.

10.35 The Albert Sandler Trio and Orchestra.

A Little Love, a Little Kiss (Silesu); Because (d'Arleto); Le Canari (Polakine); Fairy Song (from "The Immortal Hour"); Heaven (film "The Street Singer"); If You Only Knew (from "Crest of the Wave"); Albert Sandler and his Orchestra; Romance in E Flat (Rubinstein); Albert Sandler Trio; Down in the Forest (Sir L. Ronald); Albert Sandler and his Orchestra.

11.00 Close Down.



SPRING IN LONDON—Despite the possibility that a Nazi bomb may land in the centre of them, crocuses bravely push their blooms upward in St. Regent's Park, London. Spring sunshine is enjoyed by flowers and humans alike, although the war is so near.

Five-Pronged Enemy Advance In Desert Forced Back To Base

(By "Reuter" With Mobile Patrol in Western Desert)

CAIRO, May 13.—In yesterday's thrust, the enemy appeared to be using about 200 vehicles operating in independent columns without supply lines. These lines would be established later if the Germans found that they had penetrated far enough to make them necessary.

Starting at sunrise, the enemy flung out five columns towards Egypt. All the columns were engaged and the battle raged from the sea between Sollum and Bug Bug 50 miles into the desert.

The first German column pushing along the coastal road leading to Sidi Barrani encountered British advanced defence positions. Another column which came down from the escarpment curved southwards from Serand and endeavoured to advance in a parallel direction along the coastal plain.

On the escarpment, two columns crossed the Egyptian frontier west of Sollum and south of the British forces.

The battle on the escarpment top was one of immense mobility since the rolling desert columns can pass unnoted within a short distance of each other.

On the previous night I had returned from the terrain on which yesterday's escarpment fighting took place. I had been accompanying a highly mobile British patrol which, in the course of a lightning operation, had cleared all German troops west and south of Sollum out of Egypt in the course of a few days' fighting.

Object Achieved
After reaching Libya, the British patrol retired, having achieved its object.

During this operation, the British column met parties of German tanks, all of which were put to flight as well as about 600 transport vehicles. Considerable casualties were inflicted on the enemy.

No Support

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—An enemy five-pronged thrust—an operation made entirely without support—was made early in the morning in blazing heat and in a sandstorm, said a military spokesman, commenting on the Cairo communiqué which stated that in the Sollum area the enemy carried out a reconnaissance in force in five small columns. The spokesman added that when they met with opposition, the columns retired to the starting line near Sollum.

"There is every evidence that the Germans are experiencing the greatest administrative problems, particularly in supplies of water, food and ammunition," commented the spokesman on this thrust towards Egypt.

The China State Bank, Ltd., one of the largest Chinese banks here, has decided to offer annually two scholarships to students of the Ling-nan University, American missionary institution formerly in Canton and now removed here.

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A total of \$1,000.72 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:

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Transportation In Reich

Delicate Apparatus

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—So much is said about the sinkings and stoppage of England's import that one forgets that Germany's occupied territories and communications are not working smoothly.

They are at least equally as considerable and vulnerable as traffic over oceans.

Mr. Wendell Willkie recently said that communications are Germany's vulnerable point and a picture in the "Völkischer Beobachter" gives an astonishing revelation of how vulnerable they are.

It shows that 5,200 tons of ship's cargo capacity equals about 600 railway wagons.

The picture aims at showing the damage one torpedo can cause to England. But it shows also what a great, delicate and difficult apparatus is German transportation over wide areas.

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Jockey Club Donations This Year

The Hongkong Jockey Club have in the current year made the following donations totalling \$55,500:

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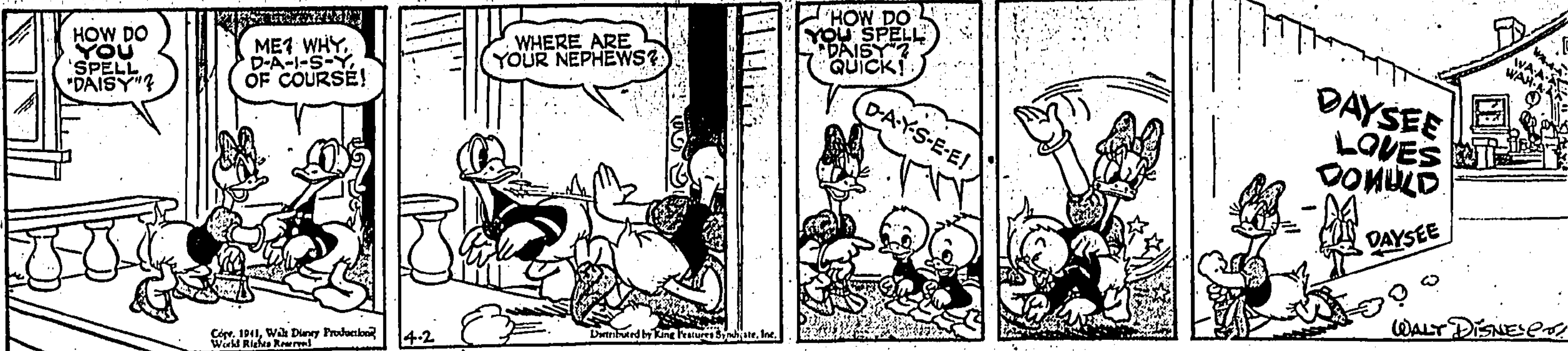
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H.K. Stock Market

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UNIFORMS

A MAN'S tailor told a reporter the other day that it is months since he has had an order for a new suit of evening clothes. One would have expected this, for in a time of severe economy evening dress is one of the luxuries most easily dispensed with, as are those large parties at which men in the black-and-white of evening dress look so much more agreeable than in the clothes they wore at lunch.

Apart from this, evening dress is the uniform of pleasure in a world rich in superfluities or, at least, in a society rich in superfluities, and is, therefore, symbolic of something at variance with the spirit of the hour.

I hope, however, that the disappearance of evening dress is only temporary, that it will return with the return of peace, and that our children will live to see a world in which a suit of evening clothes for cheerful occasions will be the possession of every male citizen.

For one thing, I like uniforms. I like clergymen to look like clergymen. Highlanders to look like Highlanders, and butchers in blue aprons to look like butchers—very nice butchers.

What a commanding figure is the policeman in his uniform: out of it he is only human—no longer one's superior, but one's equal. Hospital nurses in the costume of their profession inspire double confidence in their Samaritan skill and selflessness. I have always thought that the modern attack on the housemaid's cap and apron, though well meant, was deplorable, since, if it succeeded it would result in the disappearance of one of the comparatively few charming features of civilisation.

I should like to see chemists, publicans, druggists, fishmongers, osteopaths, poets and cotton manufacturers—everybody except journalists, indeed—wearing the uniform of their trades.

The pleasure the eye receives from uniforms will be admitted at once by anyone who has ever watched cricket at Lord's. Imagine a Test match in which Bradman came out to bat wearing the slummocky evening dress of a waiter in a bankrupt restaurant, and Woodfull, his partner at the other end, appeared in a grey flannel shirt and plus-fours, with his braces exposed. Imagine too that the English fielders stood in their positions, not in the uniform of the game, but in an anarchistic variety of costumes, one wearing hiker's shorts, another dressed like a stockbroker, a third sporting

a kilt, a fourth in a sailor suit, a fifth dressed like me—who in such circumstances could take the game seriously?

To have sport at its best you must have uniforms. I remember some years ago going to a football match in Galway in which one of the players played in his bare feet. Even this small de-cension from the regulation costume of the game made one feel that this was not football up to the Charles Buchan standard.

The genius of golf, it is said, has survived the disappearance of the scarlet coats that used to make it so lovely a game among the sandhills; but I cannot help thinking that golf would have evolved into still greater perfection if the red coats had not been allowed to vanish.

If, then, uniform is so important in work and in sport, is it not reasonable to believe that it is equally important in social life? Consider the part that evening dress plays in the theatre, for example. How gay is the scene in the stalls as even the ugliest man in a white shirt treads on women's toes on the way to his seat! I have sometimes thought that the stalls seen from the gallery are often more interesting than the play—which they certainly would not be if the occupants of the stalls were dressed in the evening as they are dressed at breakfast.

Opera at Covent Garden could scarcely have survived unless many people have been willing to pay large sums of money, not to listen to music, but for the pleasure of seeing a crowd of men and women in evening dress.

I confess my heart sinks when I enter one of those Continental theatres to which men and women go merely to see the play and where nobody has taken the trouble to change from day to evening dress. How shabby the drama seems without rows of white shirts to brighten it from the auditorium! That, no doubt, is what the late George Alexander felt when he made an order about evening dress in the St James's Theatre, which resulted in Mr Bernard Shaw's being refused admission to the stalls on one occasion on account of the irregularity of his costume.

To wear evening dress on some occasions, however, is not only a duty but a pleasure. After a hard day's work, to change one's clothes is like beginning day over again. It is an escape from the drabness of toil into the uniform of leisure, and one's spirits rise accordingly. One is ready to face cheerfully even the ordeal of a long dinner at a party.

Care evaporates as soon as, after desperate efforts, the bow is tied, well enough not to be likely to come asunder. One passes into a world in which life is easier—less like a realistic novel and more like a comedy. Imprisoned behind a stiff shirtfront, one luxuriates in freedom. This is all make-believe, but it works.

How nice to think that within a reasonable time human beings will be enjoying this freedom again! And to my mind, the more the

POCKET CARTOON



"I'm afraid the Field Marshal's losing his grip—he's worn the same uniform three nights running."

Searchlight on a BLACK RECORD

"COMMUNIST policy since October, 1939, if successful, could bring nothing but slavery and ruin to the people."

Who says that? Mr Victor Gollancz.

Coming from V.G., this must make a lot of people sit up.

For there was a time when the comrades at the C.P. headquarters bowed their heads with touching reverence whenever his name was mentioned.

All that has gone. King-street has set up new idols. The assertion I have quoted is taken from "The Betrayal of the Left," a 9s. book—edited, partly-written and published by Mr Gollancz.

This book makes mince-meat of the Communists and their self-righteous claim to be the workers' only friends. Indeed, it suggests that they are no friends of the worker at all.

Out of the mouths and manifestos of its leading spokesmen it convicts them of an indefensible betrayal of the anti-Nazi cause.

Change Of Face

In September, 1939, in a pamphlet called "How to Win the War," Harry Pollitt said: "To stand aside from this conflict, to contribute only revolutionary-sounding phrases while the Fascist beasts ride rough shod over Europe, would be a betrayal of everything our forebears have fought to achieve."

He also said: "The Communist Party supports the war, believing it to be a just war, which should be supported by the whole working class and all friends of Democracy in Britain."

About the same time a C.P. manifesto was issued stating: "We are in support of all necessary measures to secure the victory of Democracy over Fascism."

These declarations are contrasted in revealing detail with the later "Party lines" which really hardened into the anti-war policy of "revolutionary defeatism."

The contributors to this book—who include John Strachey and George Orwell—show with a mass of evidence how completely the Communists have turned themselves into Hitler's biggest allies in Britain.

It is a black record of misrepresentation and distortion by the Communists. More, it is a pathetic account of intellectual sterility and political ineptitude.

Those innocent, well-meaning people who are the stooges for each recurring camouflage Communist manoeuvre will surely have their eyes opened to reality by this book. I recommend you to get hold of it at once, whether you have any illusions or not about the Communist Party.

Maurice Webb



Mr W. J. Spreadbury and his bride, the former Miss V. M. Joanillo, who were married at St Margaret's Church on Saturday.—Ming Yuen.

Tuberculosis Talk

Chinese Doctors Meet

An address, "Modern Methods in the Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis," with lantern slides was given by Dr Li Shu-tan at last night's meeting of the Hongkong Chinese Medical Association.

Dr Li said: Innumerable claims for the discovery of specific cures for tuberculosis have been made from time to time, but no one of them, be it drug or serum or any other agent, including the much vaunted gold therapy of recent years, has stood the test of time.

Collapse therapy, however, is the only therapy introduced, which has received universal acceptance. This form of therapy originated with the re-discovery of artificial pneumothorax 60 years ago, and is the basis from which the modern concept and practice of collapse therapy is evolved.

During the last decade, particularly the last few years, phenomenal strides have been made in the development of intensive collapse therapy. By this, I refer to the evolution and improvement of thoracic surgery, with the result that numerous surgical collapse methods are now available for the treatment of almost every early type of pulmonary tuberculosis.

In our view there is one important factor which vitally influences the choice of any form of collapse treatment in this part of the world, and that is, comprehensive consideration of the patient's social status. The following are some pertinent questions:

Is the patient sufficiently educated and intelligent to co-operate with the therapist to the conclusion of the treatment?

In the absence of some form of national health insurance, is the patient in a financial position to undergo lengthy institutional treatment?

With the limited finance and time available, which form of treatment is best applicable to the particular case, with the view to short hospitalisation, speedy convalescence, and a minimum of follow-up treatment?

Dr Li then described the various aspects of the subject fully, the forms of collapse therapy being dealt with mostly in technical terms. The forms were Artificial Pneumothorax, Intrapleural Pneumolysis, Oleothorax, Phrenic Interruption, Scalenotomy, Extrapleural Pneumothorax, and Thoracoplasty.

Patients in Hospitals

It is understood the Committee of the Tung Wah Hospitals will hold a meeting on May 20 to decide whether to put all T. B. patients in the Tung Wah, Tung Wah Eastern and Kwong Wah Hospitals under one building.

CHINESE ARMY MISSION

Singapore, May 12. The Chinese military mission, headed by General Shang Chen arrived here on the night of May 10 from Kuala Lumpur, Malaya, by motor-car. The party, which has visited India and Burma, is expected to stay here a fortnight.—Domet.

COMPANY REPORT

H.K. Fire Insurance Credit Balances

The report of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., for presentation at the annual meeting on May 29, states:

The General Managers and Consulting Committee have pleasure in submitting a statement of the accounts of the Company, made up to December 31, 1940, in Sterling and Hongkong currency.

1939 Account.—This Account shows a surplus of \$669,935.45, and it is recommended that this sum be appropriated as follows:

To pay a Dividend of \$11 per share \$440,000.00
To add to Reinsurance Fund 229,935.45
\$669,935.45

1940 Account.—The balance at credit of this account is \$741,199.92.

Consulting Committee.—Mr J. H. Tappart resigned his seat on disapproval from the Colony on retirement and Mr P. H. Suckling was invited to fill the vacancy. This appointment requires the confirmation of Shareholders. Messrs C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, M. K. Lo, T. E. Pearce and S. T. Williamson retire but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.



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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

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ACROSS

- Narrow opening
- Unclose
- Crazy (slang)
- Delice
- Wing-like
- Imitator
- Abhor
- Individual
- Malediction
- Siberian river
- First Holy Roman Emperor
- Charitable gift
- Period of time
- Agilities
- Course game
- Large lake
- Univocal
- Dick
- Likely
- Small plant
- Good news
- Heavenly being
- Paid for use of money
- Vegetable
- Back part
- River in Scotland
- Local paper
- Prohibitionists

DOWN

- Tree juice
- Title
- Hit with palm
- Clasp
- Preceder
- Trunk
- Portent
- Peace (Latin)
- Put up
- Excuse by stretching
- Exclamation
- Card
- Year of war
- Bouba
- Lebanon district
- Perilous spot in desert
- Weapon
- Man's name
- Male
- Yore god
- Man's name
- Man's name
- Arrango
- Check-valves in
- Store
- Man's nickname
- Transformer
- Fabrication
- Bledge
- Straw-water
- Cliff
- Defective stroke (slang)
- Remain
- Tread
- Town in New York
- Utterly proper
- Delect
- Ocean

Eats "Death Powder" To Destroy Hoodoo

A Government patrol officer in Papua ate some "death medicine" to prove to native villagers that it was harmless. The natives had warned the officer that he would die if the "medicine" merely touched his skin.

The story is told in the annual report of the Acting-Administrator of Papua (Mr H. W. Champion), tabled in the House of Representatives recently.

The officer's report says that the "death medicine" consisted of two parcels of greyish powder. He seized them at a village where a young man was reported to have faded away and died through the agency of the "death medicine." As he opened the parcels the villagers moved away, the report that I would die, but I'm still on deck.

Around The Courses

Difficult Conditions For Golf In Macao

Fairways And Sand Greens In Very Poor Shape

Macao Governor Interested

(By "Birdie")

A WEEK-END VISIT was made to Macao on Sunday, and though an enjoyable day was spent, golf suffered terribly through the poor conditions of the course. It is, as it were, still in the rough, and the most imperative improvements should be the cutting of the grass on the fairways and the softening of the greens.

The greens are of clay and not even the thin loose surface of sand can temper the penalties for pitching thereon. In its present condition the course is a very "sporty" one, though a local ruling makes one's shot always playable provided one is on the fairway.

This ruling is that on the fairway to the green it is permitted to tee up the ball—from outside the fairway one must play the ball where it lies.

In this respect the course is very playable, though the length of the grass on the fairways provides a fifty-fifty chance of losing the ball.

At the moment, however, there are difficulties in the way of improvements that must be appreciated. Firstly, the course is in the process of being drained and conditions underfoot are being made more comfortable.

As with the Country Club at Sheungshui, the clayed nature of the soil at Macao holds the rainwater for an unbelievably long time. But the work of drainage in under way at the moment.

Until this is done, the levelling of various parts cannot be attended to, nor can the grass be cut except by hand until the course is levelled.

But on the approaches to the greens, I think, the effort should be made, even by hand, for the greens themselves are very small, and it requires great accuracy to pitch on them. And when one pitches it is practically impossible to stay there. The only other way of getting there, therefore, is to pitch and run and this cannot be done when the grass is as long as it is.

PERHAPS first consideration should be given to the greens, for they are the easier to deal with. At the moment, their texture is like that of granite. Of course, the sun has been doing its share of the damage during the past two or three weeks, for there has been no rain and they have been steadily baked harder and harder.

The only thing that can be done to them now is to have them dug up again. There is plenty of water available for the main obstacle on the course is a great pond in the centre. This is about 5 feet deep near the edges and much more in the centre, and it is quite full. Use should be made of it to keep the greens in a constantly wet condition (after they have been dug).

I stood by on Sunday and watched one player put five consecutive balls into the middle of this pond, while a small host of boys splashed around like performing seals and dived to find them.

But it is going to be useless reconditioning those greens if there is going to be no ruling made about the wearing of studded shoes. After seeing some of the marks, I wonder it has not been made before.

These improvements would work wonders with the course, and being pleasantly situated away from the town the Club would become one of the main sports features of the Portuguese Colony. It is something that is worth the work that will be necessary.

THEIR Excellencies, the Governors of Hongkong and Macao, paid an informal visit to the Country Club, Sheungshui, on Saturday, and H.E. Cmdr G. M. Teixeira expressed his appreciation of the course. He showed a keen interest in golf which speaks itself for any encouragement that players in Macao may feel they need in progressing with their own course.

Junior Chess Matches

Two matches in the Junior Chess Championship of the Colony have been played this week. Last night Un Kwai-yung beat J. Thuz, and on Monday R. C. Gardner beat E. M. Petrov.

Club Matches

In the Junior Club competition, A. C. Fournier beat J. Grefalda in the first game of a three-game play-off.

Buddy Baer Beats Galento On T.K.O.

Tony Claims Broken Fist

WASHINGTON, May.—Buddy Baer, young Californian, was awarded a sixth-round technical knockout over Tony Galento last month when the New Jersey tavern-keeper's handlers claimed Tony broke his hand and was unable to continue.

Tony had been taking a bad beating after the first round of the fight, scheduled for 10. One of his handlers cut the tape on Tony's left glove during the intermission following the sixth. Referee Eddie Lafond ran to Galento's corner and ordered Tony not to remove the mitt.

Photographers jumped into the ring and Baer raced between a battery of cameras as the bell rang for the seventh.

Lafond declared Baer the winner when Tony's handlers insisted on removing the glove.

A boxing commission physician examined Galento's hand but declined to comment.

Doctor Reticent

Tony left the ring amid a chorus of boos and was taken to casualty hospital for X-rays to determine if his hand was broken. Dr. Marvin McLean, the commission's physician, accompanied him.

Dr. McLean refused to confirm Galento's claim of a break or serious injury and when Tony failed to appear early to-day for an X-ray examination at a hospital, the commission ordered the fighter's share of the purse held up.

Galento, his face swollen and his nose bleeding profusely, looked like a thoroughly beaten fighter.

About 8,500 fans paid around \$25,000 to see the bout.

H. Valley Summer Foursomes

The following is the draw for the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Happy Valley Summer Foursomes:

Byes into second round—A. C. I. Bowker (17) and W. F. Simmons (19) v. G. E. Willerton (12) and T. J. Price (11); L. C. F. Bellamy (15) and A. V. Greaves (11) v. F. C. Barry (9) and W. V. Ahern (10); C. E. Moore (14) and J. H. B. Lee (11).

First Round—J. Gellatly (10) and N. J. Bebbington (12) v. A. J. McFadyen (18) and A. M. Muir (14); J. E. Dovey (16) and T. B. Trevor (17) v. A. L. Powell (19) and W. J. Butler (11); P. D. Humphreys (9) and L. M. S. Lloyd (12) v. R. Forrest (3) and J. W. Anderson (10); F. De Rome (5) and W. Reeve (11) v. H. H. Mundy (9) and W. Stoker (12); A. K. Mackenzie (6) and Col. E. D. Matthews (12) v. J. Thomson (8) and N. J. Booker (13); A. J. Dennis (6) and W. S. Miller (7) v. J. Linaker (12) and G. W. Sewell (11).

Byes into second round—R. Young (9) and G. M. Park (4); W. A. Stewart (9) and T. Low (10) v. H. Smith (9) and E. Greenwood (18); T. B. Low (11) and R. S. Collins (6) v. A. H. Penn (12) and J. R. Collis (13).

The first round must be held on the morning of June 1, the second on June 15, the third on June 29, the semi-final on July 13 and the final on July 27. It is notified that the Committee may alter the dates if necessary on account of the weather.



The Hon. Mr M. K. Lo distributing the prizes at the Schools and Open Athletic Meet at Caroline Hill last week-end. Pui Ying College representative receiving championship award for "C" Grade competition.—Ming Yuen.

Twelve Teams Enter For Water Polo Tournament

First Matches Next Week

The water-polo tournament sponsored by the European Y.M.C.A. will begin on Tuesday. It is anticipated that the tournament, which has attracted 12 entries, will take about two and a half months to complete.

At a meeting yesterday Mr R. Goldmann (Chairman) presided and others present were Messrs A. F. May, L. A. Benn (Y.M.C.A.), Lieut. F. Carter (Navy), Lieut. H. A. Millar (Royal Scots and Army Water-polo Secretary), P.S.M. W. B. Ure (Middlesex), Lieut. E. F. Paul (Navy), Cpl. G. Bedford (Signals and Secretary of Combined Small Units), F. Willis (Asst. Secretary).

The Chairman said the 12 teams entered were Navy A, B, C, Royal Scots, Signals, Middlesex A, B, European Y.M.C.A., Combined Small Units, 8th Coastal Regiment, 5th A.A., 965 Defence Bty.

Sgt Page, 5th A.A., was elected Artillery representative on the committee.

It was proposed that each of the three swimming pools provide complete sets of caps and flags and two whistles. The home team will provide the ball. Both teams must provide a goal judge each. A fee of \$3 will be charged per team for entrance in order to purchase seven souvenir medals for the winning team.

Rules

The no-ducking rule will be strictly adhered to and the duration of games will be 10 minutes each half with a three minute interval. No extra time will be played in case of a draw.

A player can play for only one team and in case of a naval player being transferred three months must elapse before he can become eligible for his new ship.

Two points will be awarded for a win and one for a draw.

The Fixtures

Following are the fixtures and referees for the first fortnight:

May 22—Middlesex v. Y.M.C.A. (Army), 6.45 p.m.; Lieut. Millar, Navy C v. Signals (Y.M.C.A.), 7 p.m.; L/Cpl. Nicholls.

May 23—Navy A v. 965th Bty. (Navy), 6.30 p.m.; P. S. M. Ure, 8th Coastal Regt v. Small Units (Army), 6.45 p.m.; Pte. Jennings, Scots v. Middlesex B (Y.M.C.A.), 7 p.m.; F. Willis.

May 25—5th A.A. v. Navy B (Navy), 6 a.m.; Butler, 8th Coastal Regt v. Middlesex B (Y.M.C.A.), 11 a.m.; Tel. Paul.

May 27—Middlesex A v. Small Units (Y.M.C.A.), 7 p.m.; F. Willis.

May 29—Scots v. Signals (Army), 6.45 p.m.; R. Goldmann, Navy C v. 965th Defence Bty. (Navy), 6.30 p.m.; Sgt. McLaren, 5th A.A. Regt v. Navy D (Navy), 8 p.m.; Sig. McCann.

June 1—Navy A v. Y.M.C.A. (Army), 11 a.m.; Cpl. Bedford.

Famous Aussie Horse Bought For £6,825

MELBOURNE.—One of Australia's greatest racehorses, Ajax, which was purchased for £6,825 (about \$24,430 Canadian) by W. U. Smith last month, will be bred with several mares, which will be sent in foal to join the stable of Louis B. Mayer in California. Ajax was withdrawn from racing after suffering an injury.

Sculls Champion Reported Missing

Pilot Officer Louis Barry, English professional sculling champion in 1939, is reported missing on active service.

Pilot Officer Barry is a gunner and has been in the R.A.F. for about a year.

RUSSIAN AQUATIC RECORD BROKEN

MOSCOW, April 29 (Tass).—Yesterday in the five-town swimming and diving contest the first place for women in the free style 100 metres was won by Kozheleva of Moscow in 1 minute nine and half seconds which was one second better than her previous All-Union record.



"LIFE IN DEAD PAN"—First-prize picture in sixth annual exhibit of New York Press Photographers Association. It shows Joe Louis in bout with Arturo Godoy, with Joe's face registering emotion. Title, "Life in the Dead Pan." Picture taken by Joseph Costa of New York Daily News.

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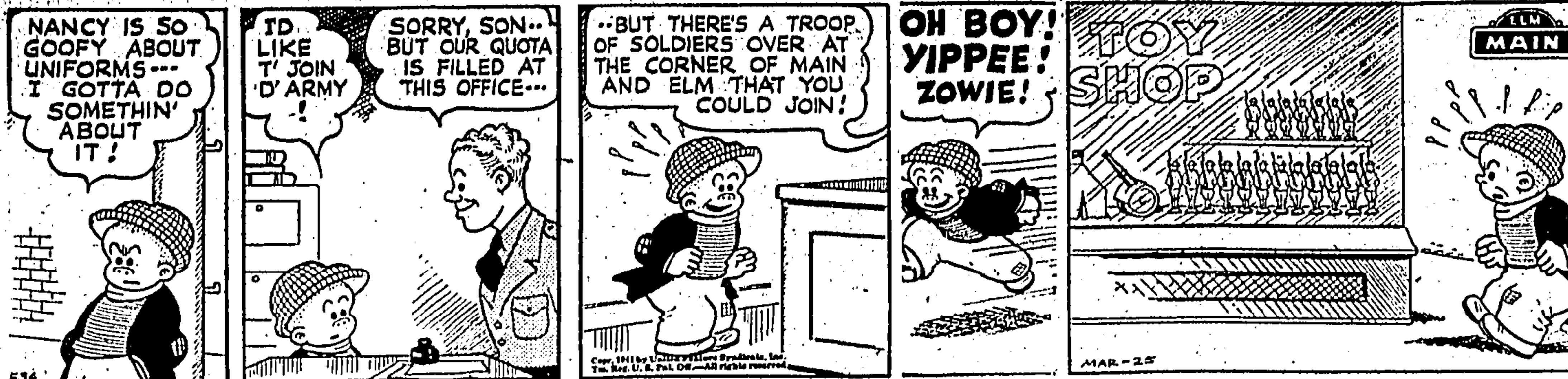
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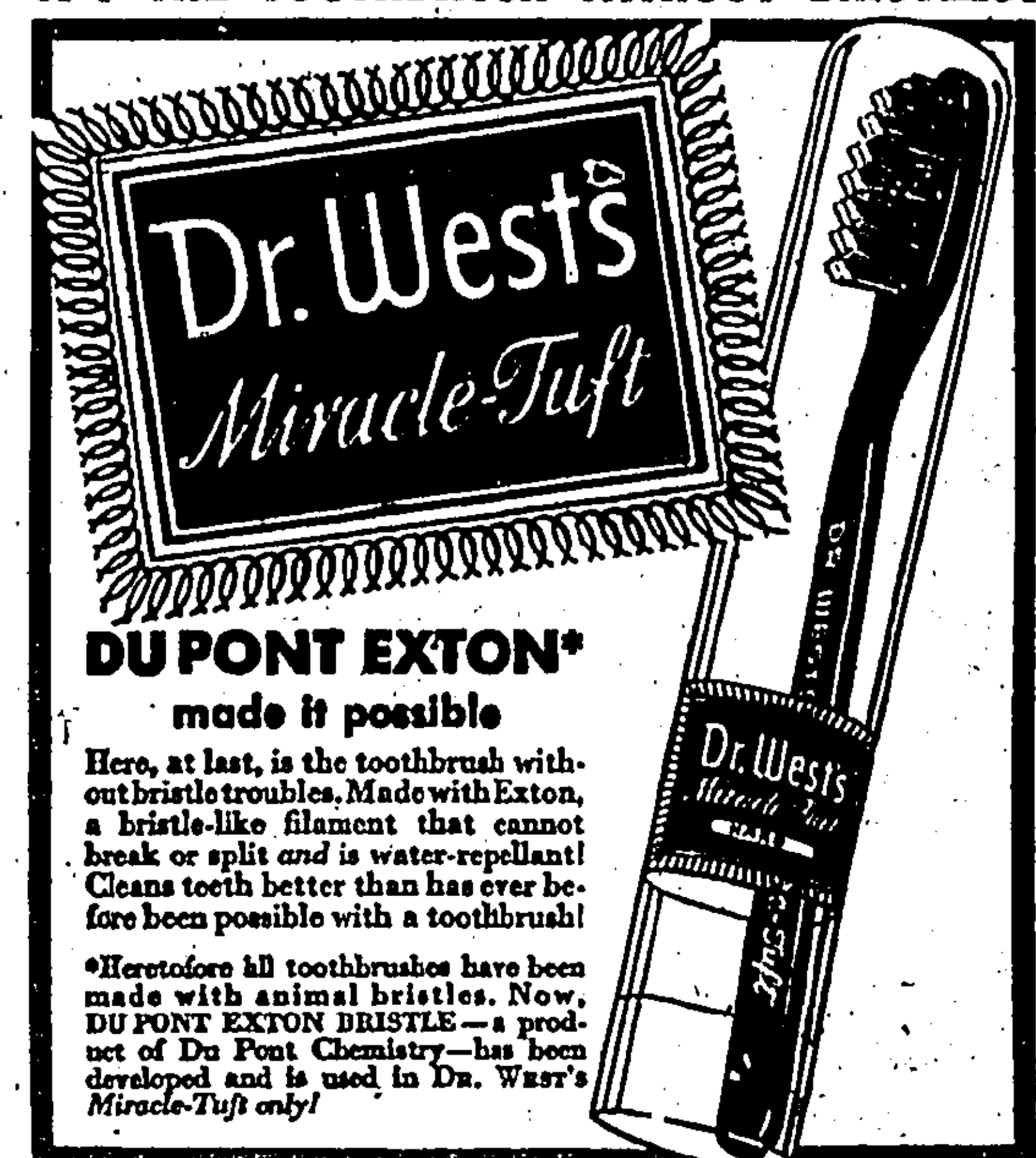
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Death Sentence On Malay For Murder

After a trial lasting six days, a Malay, Haji Suleiman bin Haji Abdul Wahid, was found guilty at the Perak Assizes of murdering Mrs Mary Zahrah Maxwell. Mr Justice Horne passed sentence of death on the accused.

The Maxwells were found shot dead in their bungalow at Maryland Estate in the early hours of last Nov. 7. Mr Maxwell was found to have been shot dead while he was asleep, while Mrs Maxwell's body was found huddled up in a cupboard. Ramah, ten-year-old daughter of the Maxwells, lived to tell the story of the shooting.

During the trial witnesses—drivers and conductors—said they saw Haji Suleiman leaving Talping for Sagor on the day in question, having with him a woman's bicycle.

Accused, who said he was a former driver of the Maxwells, gave an alibi in his defence. He admitted visiting the Maxwells on Nov. 5 to settle a question of wages and at the same time to give them greetings. He said he returned to Talping the same evening and on the following day went to work as usual and saw a performance at a park that night with his wife and daughter.

The prosecution withdrew a second charge, of the murder of Mr C. N. Maxwell, against the accused.

Caldbeck, Macgregor's Pay Dividend \$7.50

At the annual general meeting of Messrs Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co., Ltd. held in Shanghai on April 30, after making substantial increases to Reserves, a final dividend of \$5 was declared on the ordinary shares, making a total of \$7.50 per share for the 12 months.

In addition to this, donations to War Funds were approved amounting to \$219,000.

PIONEER OFFICER IS GERMAN

For the first time in this war the King's Commission has been granted to a German. He is a refugee serving with the Pioneer Corps.

This German was one of the first "enemy aliens" to enlist when the Pioneers accepted them early last year.

He served with the Corps in Britain and later in France, and took part in the evacuation from Dunkirk.

He has been given the rank of Second-Lieutenant after having received training on the same lines as British candidates, for commissions.

Anti-Nazi

The new officer, who is under thirty, was forced to leave Germany because of his anti-Nazi activities.

Hitherto all officers commanding foreign units of the Pioneer Corps were British.

German Pioneers have been doing clearance work in the bombed parts of London and elsewhere.

Margaret Bourke-White Describes Chungking

Famed for her documentary photography, Miss Margaret Bourke-White proved from Chungking that she is equally capable of documenting in words any situation that strikes her as interesting. Visiting China's war capital as a team for "Life" magazine, with her famous author-playwright husband, Erskine Caldwell, Miss Bourke-White complied with a request from United China Relief, Inc. of New York and broadcast her impressions of Chungking and Free China from Chungking's International Broadcasting Station.

Said broadcaster Bourke-White: "The hardest thing to realise is the sheer number of people who have been made homeless by this war. This war has put more people on the march, caused more shifts of population, caused more sheer volume of misery than any war in history.

"Even the face of the map has been changed. When the Yellow River dykes were bombed out, the course of the river was changed and the old valley where millions of people lived and raised their crops dried up. It is as if the Mississippi River were diverted from flowing into the Gulf of Mexico and flowed instead into the Atlantic Ocean through Georgia.

"A dust bowl developed where these millions of people lived and these herds too are on the march, indirect victims of war.

"So the building and excavating go on: a constant tapping and splitting of rock and carrying away spoonfuls of earth in the slow steady way the Chinese have worked for centuries. And in the midst of this steady building of new houses and new shelters at a time-honoured, steady pace, the bombardments come and the people have to build their houses all over again.

"So the temporary dwellings become even more temporary in appearance. I visited some by the great steps that lead down to the Yangtze. The new ones that they build are entirely of bamboo.

"People wear bamboo in this country, cut it raw or boiled, weave it into houses, use it instead of iron pipes in factories, bind their rafters together with it, and use it instead of nails.

"When I walked into one of the apartments, I was astonished to see the most beautiful wall paper I had seen in Chungking. I looked closely and saw it was made of hundreds of wrappers for sardine cans, pasted up to make a pattern.

"The occupants had found the brightly coloured papers in the ruins of a shop blasted out in an air raid and had brought them home to make their new modern apartment more beautiful.

"However, for one group of apartments like this that I describe, there are countless millions of families living under a grass rug strung between three poles, living even under an umbrella stuck in the sand.

On Warphans

"There are bright spots in the dark picture. One is the War Orphanage in the outskirts of Chungking. This is the special war baby of the behu-

Boy Avenges Death Of Officer

On his first trip to sea, a seventeen-year-old boy of West Hartlepool (Co. Durham) avenged the death of an officer who was killed at his side while fighting a German plane.

The boy, John Verrall, volunteered to help the third officer at the ship's gun when the raider swooped on the ship and machine-gunned the decks.

When the officer fell, killed by the German's rear gun, John took over the ship's gun and fired on the raider each time it swooped.

Then the aircraft's rear gun fired no more: the gunner had been hit by John Verrall's gun.

Ship Abandoned

But four of the ship's crew, as well as the third officer, were killed by the German's bombs and bullets and the ship had to be abandoned.

The story of John Verrall's pluck was told when the survivors landed at a west coast port.

John, who was messroom boy, told a reporter that he knew enough to keep the gun firing. "I meant to get the rear gunner if I could," he said.

Army Smokes Rationed

Ten cigarettes a day will be the unofficial ration of Army officers and men while the present shortage lasts, Lieut.-Colonel R. A. D. Allott, Western Command N.A.A.F.I. supervisor, said.

"We in the Army are really worse off for cigarettes than civilians," said Colonel Allott. "There is no preferential treatment between officers and men. Both get the same number."

Some Army units in the north are handing out coupons for two twenty-packets per man weekly. They must be surrendered when cigarettes are bought at the unit's N.A.A.F.I. but there is nothing to prevent soldiers buying extra smokes from other sources.

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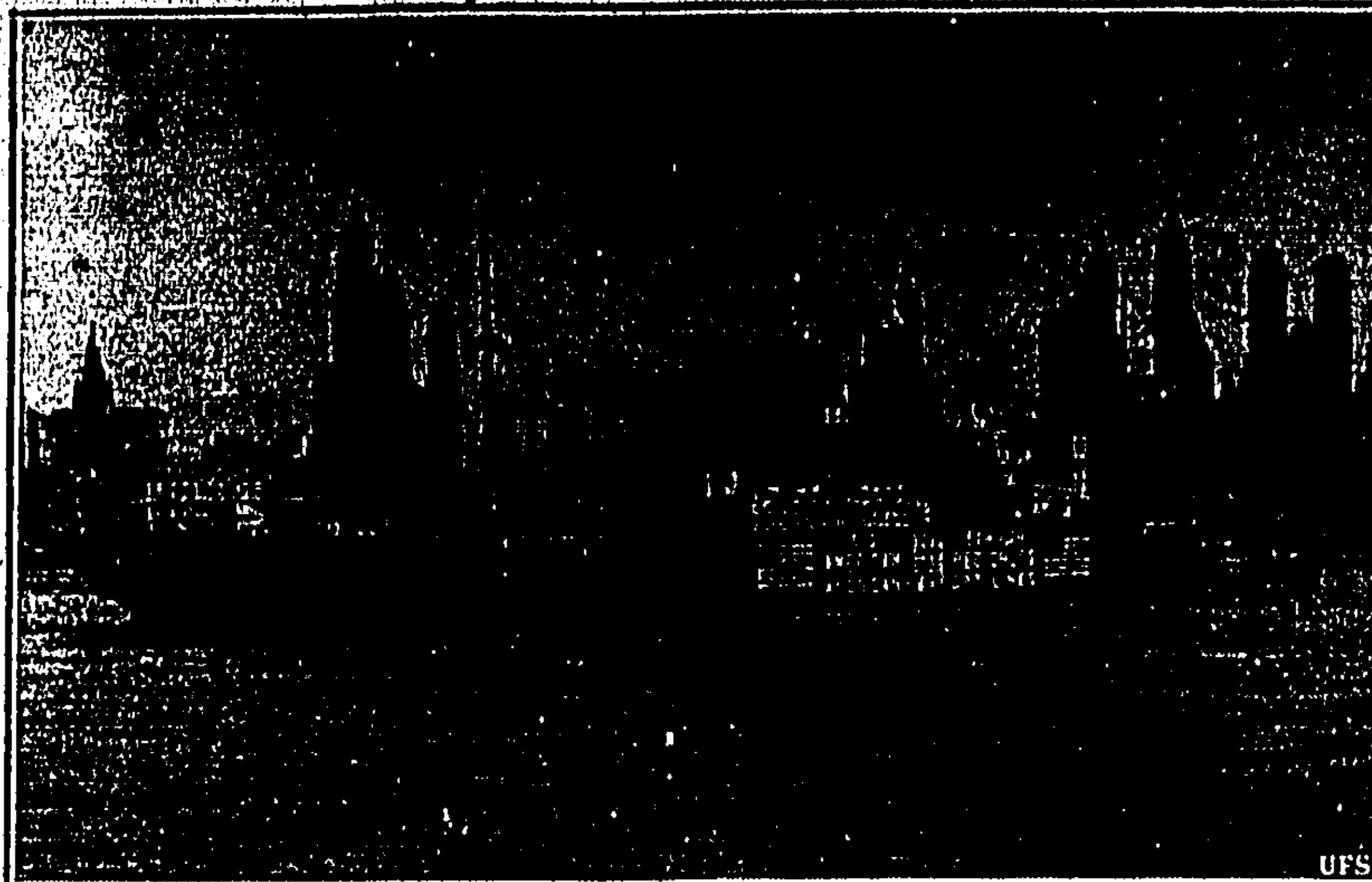
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Hollanders Happy In Allied Sub. Flotilla

(By "Reuter's" Correspondent With Home Fleet)

ABOARD A DUTCH SUBMARINE, May 13.—"An underwater League of Nations"—such is a certain submarine flotilla now serving with the Allies. Besides British, it contains Dutch, French and Polish submarines, all working in excellent co-operation.

How the Dutch vessels came to join the forces with the British Navy despite attempts of German bombers to prevent them was told by C. H. Pul, the 34-year-old commander of this Dutch submarine in his tiny cabin well beneath the surface of the sea.

"My submarine and another were at large when Holland was overrun," he said. "I went to Halifax, Nova Scotia, and joined the British and later crossed the Atlantic to Britain. Altogether we must have covered 10,000 miles."

"Three other Dutch submarines patrolling off the Dutch coast slipped over to Britain too, accompanied by others which were only half completed. They were dive-bombed by the Germans on the way, but escaped undamaged."

"When we arrived in Britain, we expected that there might be difficulties but only a few minor ones arose and these were soon straightened out: co-operation between ourselves and the British is excellent and this applies equally to the Poles and French."

Liaison Officer

"As regards material and personnel, we are under the Netherlands naval headquarters in London, but operationally we are under British direction. A British Sub-Lieutenant on board acts as Liaison Officer."

"A great piece of luck is that the British torpedoes fit our tubes. The problem of spare parts has been solved."

"Many volunteers in the Netherlands East Indies have applied to join us and some have come over."

"We started giving out crews English lessons, but these were discontinued when we found that they picked up the language quickly without them."

Married British Girls

"The officers and men are happy and enthusiastic: five of them have married British girls."

The Captain, who has served 11 years in submarines, showed me over the vessel which was as snug and span as a Dutch household. "When we sailed from Holland originally, we expected to be away only six weeks. We have been away a year now."

Mass Air Attacks On Fleet Fail

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barrage and at "cease fire" a thick wet fog suddenly descended.

No Casualties

We suffered no casualties or damage.

The engagement occurred during the seven days' routine operations in the Central Mediterranean during which convoys were successfully made in various directions, light forces bombarded Benghazi harbour and the Fleet Air Arm shot down seven enemy aircraft in various minor attempts by Axis aviators against our ships.

All pay tribute to the untiring and magnificent work of the Fleet Air Arm in driving off formations while still several miles distant from the Fleet.

A Week's Work

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Two bombardments of Benghazi, which have already been announced, and various convoy movements have been carried out by British naval units operating in the Central Mediterranean during the period, May 6-12.

An Admiralty communiqué states that during these operations nine enemy aircraft were shot down and one was damaged, while two British fighters were lost.

Despite the usual exaggerated claims by the enemy, no damage of any sort was sustained by the British ships during these operations. Thus, adds the communiqué, during the period from May 6 to 12, British naval forces in the Mediterranean have destroyed a total of 10 enemy aircraft and damaged at least six others.

War Makes Britons Healthier

"WAR problems have kept Britons healthier," points out Professor Sir William Wilson Jameson, "and 1941 will not be an epidemic year."

Sir William is Dean of Public Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and member of the Army Hygiene Advisory Committee.

"Full occupation of the mind has made people less irascible and hypochondriacal," Jameson adds. "With the worst winter gone, we escaped the influenza epidemic expected in the first two weeks of the year. We can now reasonably hope for another 12 months' immunity."

Below Average

"Even though the year's 40,000 diphtheria cases are 6,000 below average, they are still a disgrace," Sir William states, "when we neglect available immunisation treatment, whereby New York is able to boast only 400 cases in the same period."

"There were more deaths from cerebro-spinal fever than ever, but scarlet fever sharply decreased."

England escaped epidemic because everyone was busier, people were more dispersed with fewer cinemas, less travelling, more home life and simple, nourishing foods. There was less crowding in shelters, where conditions were much improved, Jameson believes.

NAZI PARTY STATEMENT

—FROM PAGE ONE—

and in the complete destruction of the British Empire.

No Clear Notion

"Hess, whose sphere of activity, as is known, lay exclusively within the Party, did not have a clear notion about this act or its consequences, as may be deduced from the notes he left."

"The National Socialist Party regrets that this idealist fell victim to such fateful delusions. By this act nothing has been changed in the prosecution of the war against Britain forced upon the German people. It will be continued, as the Fuehrer announced in his last speech, until the British leaders have been overthrown or are ready for peace."

No Russian Comment

MOSCOW, May 13 (UP).—The press to-day published the German communiqué of the Hess flight without making any further comment.

LATE NEWS

Berlin Fears Hess Divulges Secrets

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The Prime Minister declared: "He will not always be in Glasgow."

Seething Comment

NEW YORK, May 13 (Reuter).—The German suggestion that Hess is suffering from hallucinations and that his plane crashed as the result of an accident is scathingly set aside by the "Baltimore Sun."

"His real crash," the newspaper says, "was when he crashed into the headlines. What is significant is that when a Nazi gets fed up, his only safe course is to flee to the very country he had formerly sworn to put down. Whoever heard of a fed-up Briton fleeing to Germany?"

Nazi Hierarchy Doomed

SYDNEY, May 13 (Reuter).—"Hess' flight indicates a realisation within the Nazi hierarchy that Germany is unable to win the war against civilisation," said the Acting Prime Minister, Mr A. W. Fadden, to-day.

"The German radio is right. Hess has been suffering from a disease which has been progressing for years. He was, but not now. The disease is Nazism which has done more harm to the world in less than 10 years than all the scourges in history."

Mr Fadden added that millions of Nazis, deluded with false promises, must now be occupied with a single idea, "If this is what Hess thinks of the war, what are we to think?"

In the opinion of Mr W. M. Hughes, Minister for the Navy, the flight indicates the first crack in the granite of the Nazi temple."

Old Nurse's Views

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—"I refuse to believe that Rudy is insane: there is either a serious Nazi split or else he has formed a far-reaching plan," declared Frau Paula, the old nurse of Rudolf Hess, in an exclusive interview with "Reuter."

Frau Paula added: "I nursed him until he was a grown-up boy. He was broadminded, of strong character and extremely honest. From early childhood, he has vaunted German invincibility and has always fought for top place, whether at school or elsewhere."

"He often used to discuss important political questions with his father."

Hess, who was born in Egypt, received his early schooling there.

Russo-German Relations

WASHINGTON, May 13 (Reuter).—A theory is held here by a number of officials that Hess and Hitler fell out on the question of Russia and Russo-German relations.

Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, announced this morning that no official dispatches had been received of Hess.

Nephew In U.S. Army

BRISTOL, Va., May 13 (Reuter).—Gustav Adolf Hess, nephew of Rudolf Hess, is now serving with a United States anti-aircraft battery in the Panama Canal Zone.

His father, Gustav, brother of Rudolf, died in the United States in 1920.

Frau Hess in Germany

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The announcement from London that Hess will be removed to a secret destination is described in German circles as "interesting."

Berlin political circles feel certain that Mr Churchill will use the affair for the "villain" purposes of propaganda," according to a semi-official statement issued here.

Frau Hess and her children are in Germany, states a message from Berlin, denying reports that they are in Ankara.

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Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, MAY 13 (UP).—AUTHORISED GERMAN QUARTERS TO-DAY ANTICIPATED THE POSSIBILITY THAT HESS MAY MAKE PUBLIC STATEMENTS AND DECLARED: "WE SHALL NOT RECOGNIZE ANY UTTERANCE HESS MAY MAKE IN ENGLAND. WE KNOW THE BRITISH WILL MAKE EVERY CRUDE MIS-USE OF THIS SITUATION. WHO KNOWS BY WHAT UGLY MEANS SOME SORT OF CONFESSION MAY BE EXTRACTED FROM HIM? WE CANNOT EVEN KNOW IF HE ACTUALLY MAKES ANY STATEMENTS WHICH MAY BE CREDITED TO HIM."

British Landing Men & Materials In Palestine

Special to the "Telegraph"

NEW YORK, May 13 (UP).—Radio reports from Beirut state that during the last 24 hours, considerable contingents of British troops, estimated at two divisions, have disembarked in Palestine, mainly at Haifa, together with hundreds of tanks and countless other material. It is reported that the troops have all fought in Greece.

SHANGHAI SHOOTING

Chinese Police Chief
Slain In Ricksha

SHANGHAI, May 14 (Reuter).—Two persons were killed and approximately 12 were wounded in two sensational gun-battles in the International Settlement yesterday. Chinese Superintendent Yue of the Municipal Police and a detective were shot dead while a detective sergeant, a bodyguard of Superintendent Yue, and a rickshaw coolie were wounded when two gunmen fired on Yue, who was riding in a rickshaw in the centre of the amusement and shopping district. The motive is believed to be political. Ten persons were wounded in the other fierce gun-battle on the western border of the Settlement between a Municipal Police party and bodyguards travelling in an automobile with Mrs. Ho Sze-pao, wife of the Chief of Wang Ching-wei's Special Police Branch.

Released From Trades For R.A.F.

LONDON, May 13 (British Wire- less).—The Air Ministry announced: "By agreement with the Ministry of Labour, skilled men in certain electrical and mechanical trades, who hitherto have been reserved, may now volunteer for service with the R.A.F. Men of all ages between 18 and 50 are included in the concession."

PROTECTION OF TENANTS

It is officially stated that a Bill is to be introduced to extend for a further year the existing legislation for the prevention of eviction. The Prevention of Eviction Ordinance was originally passed in 1938 and has been annually extended for twelve months.

Chungking Scoffs At Japan Peace Schemes

Special to the "Telegraph"

CHUNGKING, May 13 (UP).—The Japanese schemes offered by the Japanese Ambassador at Nanking, Mr. Honda, and others for ending hostilities in China and making peace with Chungking, have elicited singularly little response in Chungking. Feeling is best summed up by the speech made by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek at Ambassador Johnson's dinner party last Saturday evening in which he said: "China has sworn to persevere indefinitely in her en-

When queried if Hess will be dismissed from the Nazi Party, it was asserted: "There has been no formal steps taken but obviously such a man is not worthy of being a member."

The German public was first informed that Hess was in Scotland when the German radio began its regular 2 p.m. newscast with the official Party announcement which said that Hess "better than anyone else, is acquainted with the peace proposals which came from the bottom of the Fuehrer's heart. He apparently came to live in an illusion that personal sacrifice might prevent developments which in his eyes could end only with the complete destruction of the British Empire."

VICHY'S THEORY

Why Hess Escaped
To England

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, May 13 (UP).—Following Admiral Darlan's exposure of Hitler's willingness to reach a working agreement with France by leaving France virtually intact, many observers concluded that the flight by Hess is directly tied up with the present Franco-German negotiations.

There have been two wings of the Nazi higher-ups—the right wing including Goering and Ribbentrop who are for collaboration with France and the destruction of England. The left wing, including Hess and perhaps Goebbels who consider "Mein Kampf" as still the Nazi bible, particularly the chapters demanding the slaying of France and rapprochement with England.

During Darlan's negotiations, and as a consequence of Marshal Petain's talks at Montoire and Laval's speech, Hitler has chosen to go with the right wing until England is destroyed.

Mannheim Bombed

Severe Damage Caused

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 13 (UP).—According to a communiqué issued by the Air Ministry to-day, considerable damage was done at Mannheim last night.

It confirmed the report that objectives at Cologne and Koblenz were bombed while other planes attacked the docks at Ostend and Dunkirk. One plane is missing.

Planes of the Coastal Command attacked the docks at St Nazaire. One plane is missing.

NURSED ROYALTY

Late Miss Agnes Keyser

LONDON, May 13 (British Wire- less).—Miss Agnes Keyser—Sister Agnes—who founded the King Edward VII Hospital for Officers in London during the South African War, has died, aged 88.

She nursed King Edward when he was Prince of Wales and the present King when he was operated on for appendicitis. She was for years a regular guest at Balmoral and also had her own key to the Buckingham Palace gardens.

Berlin Reactions

STOCKHOLM, May 13 (Reuter).—Berlin is anxiously waiting to learn what revelations Hess will make to the British authorities, according to information reaching the neutral press.

Berlin is insisting that Hess was progressively being relieved of his responsibilities and is attempting to stress the "tragedy" of his case.

It is also said that his flight lacks internal or external significance.

In Stockholm, it is thought that executions may now occur but if only imprisonments, then the whole affair will appear a clever trick on the part of the Nazis.

It is thought that Hess' farewell letter will not be made public, but an official communiqué may shortly be expected.

Tired But Comfortable

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Rudolf Hess is in bed in a hospital and save for tiredness is comfortable and in good spirits, it is authoritatively stated in London.

The Deputy Fuehrer has been issued with pyjamas and army equipment such as tooth brush, etc.

Though suffering pain from his injured ankle, Hess is quite well. A British officer is on guard looking after him, and Hess spends most of his time resting, dozing and reading mainly an English geographical magazine.

He has been given some novels and writing paper, pencils and ink, and is writing quite a lot.

He is receiving the usual hospital food, such as boiled chicken and rice for lunch.

Hess conveyed the impression to Mr. Ivone Kirkpatrick, the Foreign Office official, that he was not having so much outdoor exercise as formerly and that he was spending much time in office work.

His tiredness is understandable, considering that he carried out a remarkable 900 miles flight, landing in the dark at the end and parachuting for the first time in his life nor had he flown a Messerschmitt 110 before.

Premier Promises Statement

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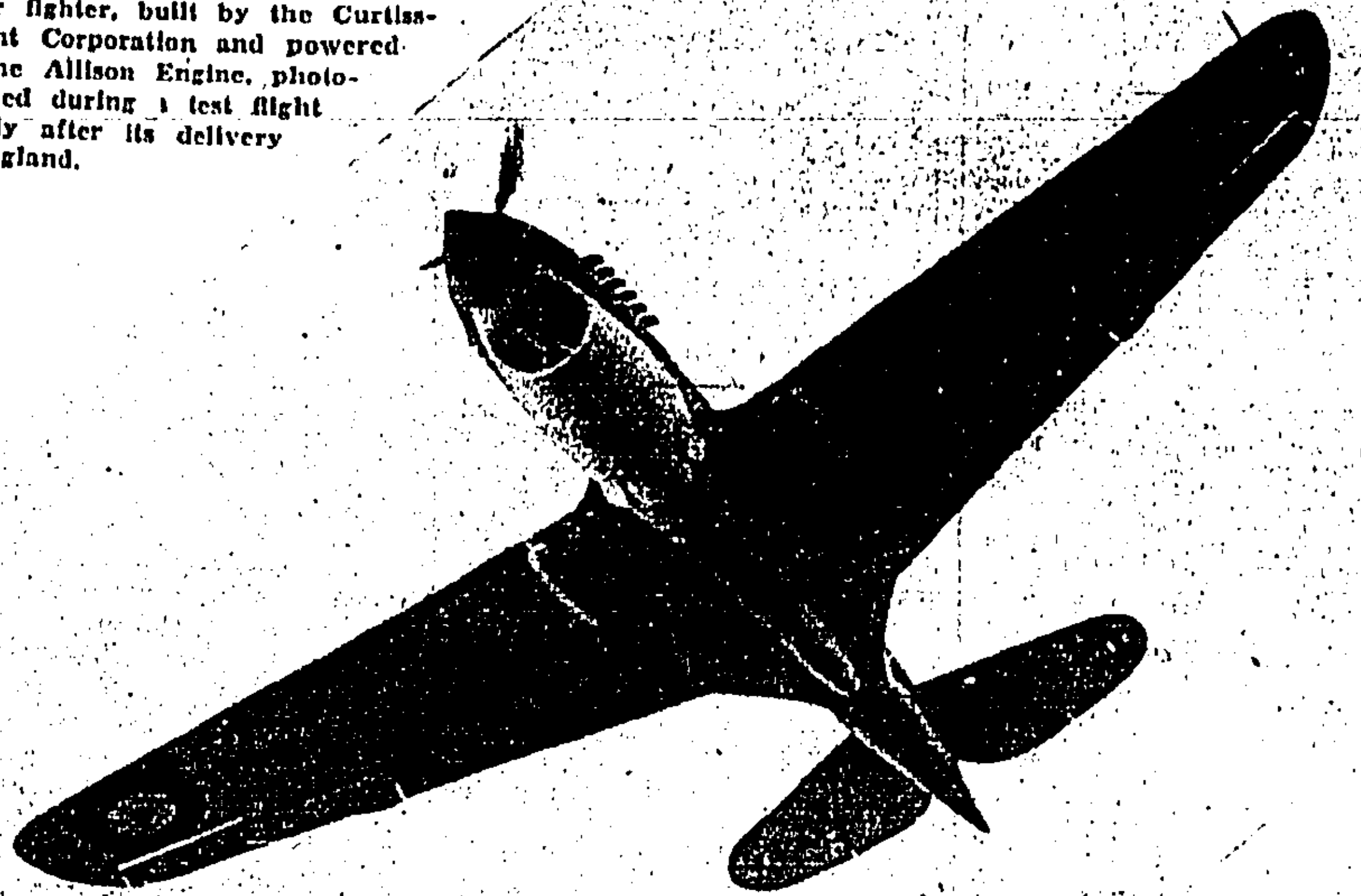
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American Aid For Britain

The Tomahawk, an American single seater fighter, built by the Curtiss-Wright Corporation and powered by one Allison Engine, photographed during a test flight shortly after its delivery to England.



Mass Air Attacks On Fleet In Moonlit Mediterranean Fail

("Reuter's" Correspondent With the Mediterranean Fleet)

ABOARD H.M.S. BARHAM, May 13 (Reuter).—How more than 30 warships beat off an attempt by enemy aircraft to turn the "Taranto" story on the British battle Fleet while steaming in the Central Mediterranean, can now be told.

No damage was sustained by any British ship in this engagement which was briefly reported in the Admiralty communiqué on Saturday. The encounter produced the heaviest and most spectacular night barrage I have yet seen, with the firing continuing almost ceaselessly for forty-five minutes against enemy torpedo bombers.

2,000,000 Tons of Ships For Britain Next Month

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP).—Informed circles to-day stated that the President's goal of 2,000,000 tons of shipping for immediate service to Britain will be reached in mid-June.

U. S. Will Train R.A.F. Pilots

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP).—Officials to-day released a plan to train 3,000 R.A.F. fliers in the United States as part of the general programme to aid Britain. The pilots will come in groups of about 1,200 each for training in six fields.

President Roosevelt conferred with Rear Admiral Ernest J. King, Commander in Chief of the Atlantic Fleet who is believed to have submitted detailed reports on the Navy's patrol operations.

The President also conferred with Brigadier General Thomas M. Robins, Assistant Chief of the Army Engineers who is in charge of all military engineering and construction including the new Atlantic bases.

Gauss Due Soon In Hongkong

SHANGHAI, May 14 (UP).—Mr. Clarence Gauss, the new U.S. Ambassador to China arrived this morning on the steamer President Garfield and was greeted by United States Consular officials who escorted him ashore where to-night, at the Columbus Country Club, the Shanghai American community will meet the new Ambassador at an informal reception.

Mr. Gauss continues to Hongkong on the President Garfield to-morrow. He did not give any press interview.

Roosevelt Pays Visit To Crete

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—Captain James Roosevelt, oldest son of President Roosevelt, has returned from a short visit to Crete where he delivered to the King of the Hellenes a letter from his father.

The full moon was some 20 degrees above the horizon when our cruisers escorting a convoy were seen to open fire a few miles distant on our starboard quarter, whereupon our heavy units blazed forth with all their armament from 6-inches downwards.

In the meantime, a strong screen of destroyers had hung up an umbrella barrage protecting the battle fleet from possible high level bombing attacks.

When the Battle Fleet opened fire, the raiders apparently abandoned the convoy and splitting into groups, attacked the Fleet from all angles.

From the Barham's compass platform I had a magnificent panoramic view of the Fleet steaming in line ahead belching flame in all directions.

Six-inch guns, four-inch guns, multiple pom-poms and even Lewis guns plastered a wide area extending from sea level to the sky. Each battleship seemed to be aflame from end to end like a giant sea piece in a gargantuan fireworks display. The entire ship shuddered as the shells whistled away into the distance. Shouted orders were drowned by the indescribable violence of the barrage.

Sea Illuminated

In the meantime the sea, illuminated by the blaze of the guns became periodically a mass of small and large water-spouts as splinters from the destroyers' protective barrage fell around us.

Lulls were broken by the clatter of thousands of empty shell cases being swept aside before the next barrage.

No torpedoes came near us although the last ship of the line was seen to take an avoiding action during the early part of the attack.

Darkness prevented us from ascertaining the results of the TURN to Back Page, Column 4

Labour Party Scores Big Gains In N.S.W.

SYDNEY, May 13 (Reuter).—In consequence of a heavy swing to Labour manifested in the New South Wales elections, supporters of Dr. Herbert Evatt, the Labour member of the Advisory War Council, consider that his position has been strengthened in Federal politics.

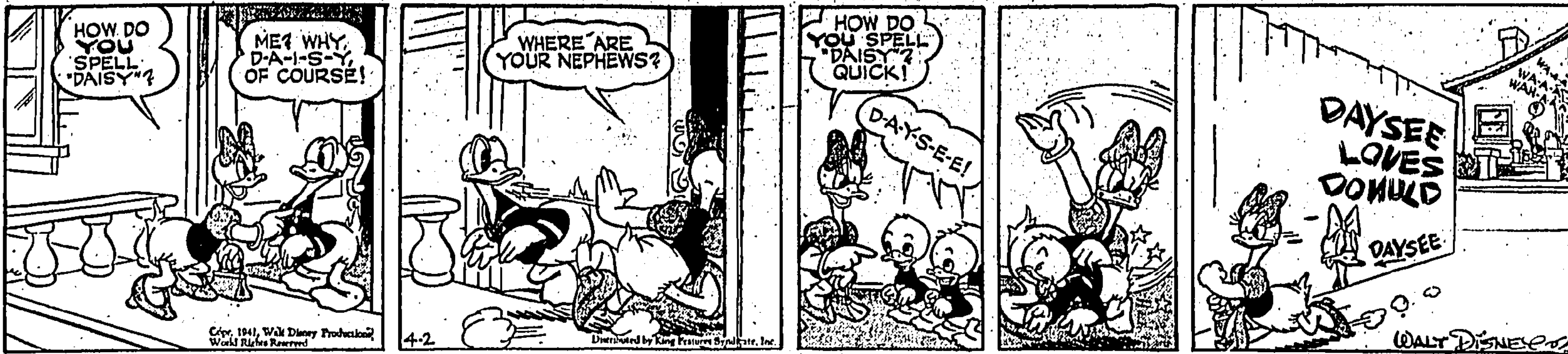
Future developments depend largely on the result of the Federal by-election at Boothby, South Australia.

A win for Labour will be immediately followed by a demand for the resignation of the Commonwealth Government.

The Labour leader, Mr. John Curtin, declared: "Victory will be a complete vindication of Labour's programme of giving Labour half the seats in the House of Representatives."

If, however, the Commonwealth Government retains Boothby, according to expectations, pressure for the formation of a National Government will probably be renewed by Dr. Evatt's supporters who are already urging replacement of Mr. Curtin by him.

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UNIFORMS

A MAN'S tailor told a reporter the other day that it is months since he has had an order for a new suit of evening clothes. One would have expected this, for in a time of severe economy evening dress is one of the luxuries most easily dispensed with, as are those large parties at which men in the black-and-white of evening dress look so much more agreeable than in the clothes they wore at lunch.

Apart from this, evening dress is the uniform of pleasure in a world rich in superfluities or, at least, in a society rich in superfluities, and is, therefore, symbolic of something at variance with the spirit of the hour.

a kilt, a fourth in a sailor suit, a fifth dressed like me—who in such circumstances could take the game seriously?

To have sport at its best you must have uniforms. I remember some years ago going to a football match in Galway in which one of the players played in his bare feet. Even this small de-cension from the regulation costume of the game made one feel that this was not football up to the Charles Buchan standard.

The genius of golf, it is said, has survived the disappearance of the scarlet coats that used to make it so lovely a game among the sandhills; but I cannot help thinking that golf would have evolved into still greater perfection if the red coats had not been allowed to vanish.

If, then, uniform is so important in work and in sport, is it not reasonable to believe that it is equally important in social life? Consider the part that evening dress plays in the theatre, for example. How gay is the scene in the stalls as even the ugliest man in a white shirt treads on women's toes on the way to his seat! I have sometimes thought that the stalls seen from the gallery are often more interesting than the play—which they certainly would not be if the occupants of the stalls were dressed in the evening dress as they are dressed at breakfast.

I hope, however, that the disappearance of evening dress is only temporary, that it will return with the return of peace, and that our children will live to see a world in which a suit of evening clothes for cheerful occasions will be the possession of every male citizen.

For one thing, I like uniforms. I like clergymen to look like clergymen. Highlanders to look like Highlanders, and butchers in blue aprons to look like butchers—very nice butchers.

What a commanding figure is the policeman in his uniform: out of it he is only human—no longer one's superior, but one's equal. Hospital nurses in the costume of their profession inspire double confidence in their Samaritan skill and selflessness. I have always thought that the modern attack on the housemaid's cap and apron, though well meant, was deplorable, since, if it succeeded it would result in the disappearance of one of the comparatively few charming features of civilisation.

I should like to see chemists, publicans, drysalers, lorrymen, shoemakers, fishmongers, osteopaths, poets and cotton manufacturers—everybody except journalists, indeed—wearing the uniform of their trades.

The pleasure the eye receives from uniforms by anyone who has ever watched cricket at Lord's. Imagine a Test match in which Bradman came out to bat wearing the slummocky evening dress of a waiter in a bankrupt restaurant, and Woodfull, his partner at the other end, appeared in a grey flannel shirt and plus-fours, with his braces exposed. Imagine too that the English fielders stood in their positions, not in the uniform of the game, but in an anarchistic variety of costumes, one wearing hiker's shorts, another dressed like a stockbroker, a third sporting

Opera at Covent Garden could scarcely have survived unless many people have been willing to pay large sums of money, not to listen to music, but for the pleasure of seeing a crowd of men and women in evening dress.

I confess my heart sinks when I enter one of those Continental theatres to which men and women go merely to see the play and where nobody has taken the trouble to change from day to evening dress. How shabby the drama seems without rows of white shirts to brighten it from the auditorium! That, no doubt, is what the late George Alexander felt when he made an order about evening dress in the St James's Theatre, which resulted in Mr Bernard Shaw's being refused admission to the stalls on one occasion on account of the irregularity of his costume.

To wear evening dress on some occasions, however, is not only a duty but a pleasure. After a hard day's work, to change one's clothes is like beginning day over again. It is an escape from the drabness of toil into the uniform of leisure, and one's spirits rise accordingly. One is ready to face cheerfully even the ordeal of a long dinner at a party.

Care evaporates as soon as, after desperate efforts, the bow is tied well enough not to be likely to come asunder. One passes into a world in which life is easier—less like a realistic novel and more like a comedy. Imprisoned behind a stiff shirtfront, one luxuriates in freedom. This is all make-believe, but it works.

How nice to think that within a reasonable time human beings will be enjoying this freedom again! And to my mind, the more the

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Searchlight on a BLACK RECORD

"COMMUNIST" policy since October, 1939, if successful, could bring nothing but slavery and ruin to the people.

Who says that? Mr Victor Gollancz.

Coming from V.G., this must make a lot of people sit up.

For there was a time when the comrades at the C.P. headquarters bowed their heads with touching reverence whenever his name was mentioned.

All that has gone. King-street has set up new idols. The assertion I have quoted is taken from "The Betrayal of the Left," a 9s. book—edited, partly-written and published by Mr Gollancz.

This book makes mince-meat of the Communists and their self-righteous claim to be the workers' only friends. Indeed, it suggests that they are no friends of the worker at all.

Out of the mouths, and manifestos of its leading spokesmen it convicts them of an indefensible betrayal of the anti-Nazi cause.

Change Of Face

In September, 1939, in a pamphlet called "How to Win the War," Harry Pollitt said: "To stand aside from this conflict, to contribute only revolutionary-sounding phrases while the Fascist beasts ride rough shod over Europe, would be a betrayal of everything our forebears have fought to achieve."

He also said: "The Communist Party supports the war, believing it to be a just war, which should be supported by the whole working class and all friends of Democracy in Britain."

About the same time a C.P. manifesto was issued stating: "We are in support of all necessary measures to secure the victory of Democracy over Fascism."

These declarations are contrasted in revealing detail with the later "Party lines" which finally hardened into the anti-war policy of "revolutionary defeatism."

The contributors to this book—John Strachey and George Orwell—show with a mass of evidence how completely the Communists have turned themselves into Hitler's biggest allies in Britain.

It is a black record of misrepresentation and distortion by the Communists. More, it is a pathetic account of intellectual sterility and political ineptitude.

Those innocent, well-meaning people who are the stooges for each recurring camouflaged Communist manoeuvre will surely have their eyes opened to reality by this book. I recommend you to get hold of it at once, whether you have any illusions or not about the Communist Party.

Maurice Webb



Mr W. J. Spreadbury and his bride, the former Miss V. M. Joantho, who were married at St. Margaret's Church on Saturday.—Ming Yuen.

Hollanders Happy In Allied Sub. Flotilla

(By "Reuter's" Correspondent With Home Fleet)

ABOARD A DUTCH SUBMARINE, May 13.—"An underwater League of Nations"—such is a certain submarine flotilla now serving with the Allies. Besides British, it contains Dutch, French and Polish submarines, all working in excellent co-operation.

How the Dutch vessels came to join the forces with the British Navy despite attempts of German bombers to prevent them was told by C. H. Ful, the 34-year-old commander of this Dutch submarine in his tiny cabin well beneath the surface of the sea.

"My submarine and another were at large when Holland was overrun," he said. "I went to Halifax, Nova Scotia, and joined the British and later crossed the Atlantic to Britain. Altogether we must have covered 10,000 miles."

"Three other Dutch submarines patrolling off the Dutch coast slipped over to Britain too, accompanied by others which were only half completed. They were dive-bombed by the Germans on the way, but escaped undamaged."

"When we arrived in Britain, we expected that there might be difficulties but only a few minor ones arose and these were soon straightened out: co-operation between ourselves and the British is excellent and this applies equally to the Poles and French."

Liaison Officer

"As regards material and personnel, we are under the Netherlands naval headquarters in London, but operationally we are under British direction. A British Sub-Lieutenant on board acts as Liaison Officer."

"A great piece of luck is that the British torpedoes fit our tubes. The problem of spare parts has been solved."

"Many volunteers in the Netherlands East Indies have applied to join us and some have come over."

"We started giving our crews English lessons, but these were discontinued when we found that they picked up the language quickly without them."

Married British Girls

"The officers and men are happy and enthusiastic: five of them have married British girls."

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Release Of Captured Greeks And Serbs.

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The "Globe" says that when German speak of chivalry it is to make a virtue of necessity, which the freeing of Greek and Yugoslav prisoners shows.

They must be released to provide workers for fields and industries.

Transportation In Reich

Delicate Apparatus

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—So much is said about the sinkings and stoppage of England's import that one forgets that Germany's occupied territories and communications are not working smoothly either. They are at least equally as considerable and vulnerable as traffic over oceans.

Mr Wendell Willkie recently said that communications are Germany's vulnerable point and a picture in the "Voelkischer Beobachter" gives an astonishing revelation of how vulnerable they are.

It shows that 5,200 tons of ship's cargo capacity equals about 600 railway wagons.

The picture aims at showing the damage one torpedo can cause to England. But it shows also what a great, delicate and difficult apparatus is German transportation over wide area.

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Mr Winston Churchill had an audience of the King to-day.

Eats "Death Powder" To Destroy Hoodoo

A Government patrol officer in Papua ate some "death medicine" to prove to native villagers that it was harmless. The natives had warned the officer that he would die if he "merely touched his skin."

The story is told in the annual report of the Acting-Administrator of Papua (Mr H. W. Champion), tabled in the House of Representatives recently.

The officer's report says that the "death medicine" consisted of two parcels of greyish powder.

He seized them at a village where a young man was reported to have faded away and died through the agency of the "death medicine." "As I opened the parcels the villagers moved away," the report states.

"Several men warned me to leave them alone or I would die. I poured some of the powder into my hand. Women gasped and yelled, and the men drew back and shouted to me that I was doomed."

"The powder was made from seashells, coral, and wood. A dead stone-fish and a catfish had been burned with it."

"To complete my demonstration of the futility of such death sorcery, I ate some of the stuff. The villagers were convinced the report that I would die, but I'm still on deck."

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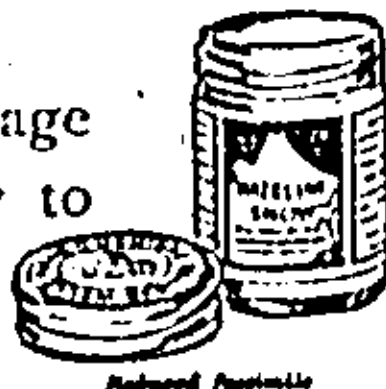
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HITLER DESERTED

THE whole world was astounded yesterday when it heard of the desertion of Herr Rudolf Hess Hitler's trusted deputy, with its consequent sequel of a parachute jump over Scotland and the confinement of Hess in a Glasgow hospital suffering from a broken ankle. The German propaganda department, completely in the dark as to what had happened, did its utmost to explain away the incident by putting out a vague report that Hess had become mentally deranged and had taken a flight to an unknown destination with the intention of committing suicide. Unhappily for Goebbels and his chief, Hitler, Hess not only refused to attempt suicide, but landed precisely where he intended to in a perfectly normal frame of mind. First reports indicate that apart from being completely sane, Hess also appears willing, even anxious to talk.

It is not difficult to imagine the feelings of Hitler and Co. Hess, as one of the most important figures in the Reich National Socialist Party, is assuredly as well informed about German military plans as anyone in the country, and it is inconceivable that Hitler and his military advisers dare take the risk of Hess failing to divulge this information. In other words, Hitler appears to be faced with the necessity of completely changing his war plans for the immediate future. This is one apparent aspect of the dramatic desertion by Rudolf Hess.

Another is that dissident voices are being raised in the ranks of the Nazi party. Goebbels' hard-working propaganda office may insist until doomsday that Hess is a madman, but this will not obliterate the conviction, for which there is every foundation, that something rotten exists in the State of Germany, and that the net of retribution is slowly, but inexorably being wound tighter around Fuehrer Hitler and his cronies.

The event is both depressing and alarming for the Nazi leaders, while as for Hitler, his major fear now must be: who among my trusted will be the next to strike at me? The defection of Hess has for Hitler the effect of jolting off his left arm. Hess was his beloved; the only man in the higher councils who boasted no ambition to oust his leader; Goebbels, Himmler, Hitler, Goebbels and von Papen have always been slightly suspect for Hitler

MODERN WARFARE OWES MUCH TO ANCIENT CHINA

THE ANCIENT CHINESE WORTHY who invented gunpowder certainly started something. Unknown to himself he blasted the world out of medievalism and became the unsung patron of the Krupps, Schneider-Creusots and Du Ponts of modern times. Were it not for his discovery, wars would probably still be fought in the lusty way of earlier ages with bow and arrow, sword and spear.

"Fire medicine," as the Chinese to this day term their invention, was for centuries the "secret weapon" of the Middle Kingdom. As a defensive measure, gunpowder was first employed in firecrackers, its initial effect being to terrify rather than to injure. This continued to be the case until the Yuan or Mongol dynasty (A. D. 1230-1368) when some Celestial genius tried the experiment of using its explosive force for hurling projectiles from brass and copper tubes. With the perfection of such an innovation, gunpowder blew off its swaddling clothes and has been throwing its weight around ever since.

MOST OF THE APPLICATIONS OF GUNPOWDER

to warfare have been of Chinese origin, and up to the beginning of the nineteenth century, the Middle Kingdom was the leader in all armament design. It is, therefore, a tragedy of history that the Power which was considered invincible during the reign of Ch'ien Lung (A. D. 1736-1795) should be the victim of aggression to-day. Instead of continuing to improve upon her weapons of war, China suddenly reached a stalemate in her martial inventive ability, and by the time of Tao Kuang (A. D. 1821-1850) was content to copy the out-moded ordnance of Europe.

After their defeat by the British and French in 1860, the Chinese seemed to have lost all confidence in their ability to turn out even passable reproductions of foreign ordnance, and took to purchasing their cannon and even their gunpowder from abroad. Cannon balls, however, were mostly made by their own arsenals, and this continued as long as the old muzzle-loading guns remained in vogue.

These projectiles were generally made of wrought iron, roughly hammered to a roundish shape, although cannon shots of cast iron and brass were also manufactured. In cases of emergency, the Chinese adopted a simple process of mass manufacture, that is, by placing a clay core in a mould, and then running lead and pewter round it; the clay was left inside and fired with the ball. By this method in cannon balls of twelve pounds or more could be turned out in quantity.

WHATEVER MAY BE SAID

of the deterioration of the Chinese armaments after the middle of the last century, it is stopped up by a thick plug of generally admitted that before the Chinese were armed with modern rifles and machine-guns, one of the most effective of all infantry weapons was the Chinese gungall. This was a heavy, musket-like gun about eight feet in length, firing a two ounce ball or, more frequently, pieces of scrap iron.

It would be ignoring realities to suggest that the Nazi regime is about to collapse because of the desertion by Hess; but this incident may well be the beginning of the end for the Nazis, and as one London commentator observed yesterday, perhaps Hitler's day may be nearer at hand than the world at the moment suspects.

The range of the firearm was, considering its roughness and imperfect construction, remarkably wide, and it was, moreover, capable of inflicting severe casualties on the enemy.

Its one drawback was its unwieldiness, as two men were required to carry and fire it. The firing operation was effected by one man supporting the barrel on his shoulder, while his companion at the stock took aim. The recoil was terrific, and in

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order to prevent his being swept off his feet, each man braced himself as if to withstand the impact of a heavy blow. As a further precaution against the weapon jumping unduly and thus missing its target, the barrel was held down by cloth straps, the ends of which were grasped tightly by the man supporting the piece.

Regardless of these inconveniences, the gun was widely used by the Chinese for blasting outlying enemy outposts preparatory to the making of a cavalry dash. Although the gungall as such was never adopted by western armies, its principle has been applied in a modified form in the development of modern "stove-pipe" trench mortars, of which the Stokes mortar is perhaps the most familiar example.

AS A FACTOR responsible for

the modification of military tactics, the hand grenade looms importantly. This was originally a Chinese invention, and it is probable that Europeans obtained their first knowledge of its design and construction from early travellers to Cathay.

Until the development of the Mills "pineapple," most grenades in military use were simply modifications of existing Chinese types, such as the "fire ball" and the "stink pot." The former was a small cloth bag filled with gunpowder and lighted by a fuse, while the latter was a metal canister containing coarse powder into which a slow match was introduced. When hurled into an enemy's stronghold, they set fire to anything combustible, and by their sulphurous smoke produced such an acrid vapour that the enemy, in the absence of any mask protection, would be forced to flee.

Such grenades might well be claimed to be the obvious prototypes of the incendiary and poison gas bombs used with such effect in twentieth century blitz attacks.

The "flame thrower," another ostensibly modern weapon, was actually envisaged by the Chinese centuries before the Germans started the world by employing it in the first Great War. The Chinese prototype was the "fire tube," and was much used by Celestial shock troops in storming walled cities. This was a simple device in principle, being merely a length of bamboo about five feet in length and three inches in diameter, with the inside scooped out to form a tube, one end of which was stopped up by a thick plug of clay. It was further strengthened by being tightly wrapped with rattan, and in use was packed full of meal (that is, finely pulverised) gunpowder, which upon being ignited spouted forth in a veritable inferno of flame. As the weapon could be controlled like a blow-torch, its blazing heat could be directed upon an enemy during a hand to hand attack with appalling effect.

THE ROCKET, that ingenious contrivance, which may have provided the idea for the development of both the star shell and shrapnel, was another important Chinese contribution to warfare. In its Chinese form, it was a well-designed and effective weapon, and was em-

ployed by the thousands for night attacks on enemy towns. As the Chinese rocket was heavily charged with gunpowder and tipped with a sharp iron point, it could not only set fire to anything combustible but was also capable of killing and maiming anyone unfortunate enough to be caught during its flaming descent to earth.

Chinese military genius has also been responsible for the development of the science of laying land-mines. Although explosive mines in use nowadays are improvements over the original Chinese models, the technique of laying them remains largely the same. Foreigners have always admired the skill and patience displayed by Chinese military engineers in their sapping operations. The Chinese aptitude for this type of warfare is well shown by the exploits of guerilla warriors who have blown up strategic bridges and other important works under the very noses of the Japanese troops in occupied territory.

As the Chinese have so assiduously applied themselves to military discoveries in the past, it is not beyond the realm of possibility that in the years to come they will again take the lead in developing weapons of warfare. Or perhaps, when the world has become fully sickened of the horrors of totalitarian slaughter, it will be a revitalised China which will show the nations the way of peaceful living.

Private Life Of A Private

TROUBLE IN THE 'NAFFY'

A further extract from the diary of a journalist now in the Army for the duration.

RECRUIT Siberia goes in for a somewhat flowery kind of Continental politeness—just as his cursing, sometimes, has the lurid, shaggy, windblasted atmosphere of the steppes.

We are at the tea-bar of the Navy, Army and Air Force Institution, which is better known as the Naffy.

The Lad from the Elephant says, "Tea 'n a wad, please, miss"—a Wad being a Cake—and receives what he asks for.

Siberia, with a whimsical smile, says: "Will you be so kind as to pour me a cup of tea?"

"Excuse Me!"

The girl in the blue overall tosses her head and serves somebody else.

"Excuse me, I said: 'Will you be so very kind as to give yourself the trouble of pouring'—"

"I heard," says the girl. "Then would it be too much if I asked you where is my tea?"

"We've got enough to put up with," says the girl, "without being spoken to like dogs. You don't get anything till you say Please."

"I said: Will you be so very kind."

"I heard—what you said. You say Please in the proper manner."

There is a grating noise: it is Siberia grinding his teeth as he says: "Please, then. Please. Please. PLEASE give me a cup of tea. PULEEEASE!"

"There's no need to be sarcastic."

"Oh God!" cries Siberia, desperately.

"And there's no need to swear and curse at me either," says the Naffy girl, giving him his cup of tea. "We've got enough to put up with."

"Wot they bin doin to yer, me little lamb?" asks the Lad. "Not so much of your little lamb, either. They haven't been doing anything, if you want to know. But you ought

to be grateful girls like us come here and work serving you chaps, without treating me like a slave."

"If The Cap Fits"

Siberia bristles at every follicle, and says:—"I? I merely said—"

"If the cap fits," says the girl, "wear it. Do you think this is a joy-ride for us here? We're on tougher discipline than what you fellows are. You can get out sometimes after duties. Can we? Oh, no."

"We're at it from seven in the morning till last thing at night. You try handling the evening rush!"

"Millions of shouting soldiers to be served, and everything to be kept spick-and-span . . ."

living like soldiers, in barracks no time to ourselves.

"And what do we get out of it? Hardly enough to keep ourselves in face-powder."

"And what are our prospects? Pooh! There's not even a chance to meet a chap that you could settle down with."

"I resent that," says Siberia. "You can go and fry your ugly black face. Go and learn how to say Please in the proper manner! All you read about is RAF, and Wavell, and the Navy. What about the Naffy Girl?"

"You're all pretty bright, you are, with your parades, and your rifles, and your showing-off."

"But where would you all be if it wasn't for the Naffy Girl, who serves you your tea, and your wads, and your Blanco, and your razor-blades? Answer me that?"

Language!

"You'd look pretty nice, shivering in the cold, wouldn't you?"

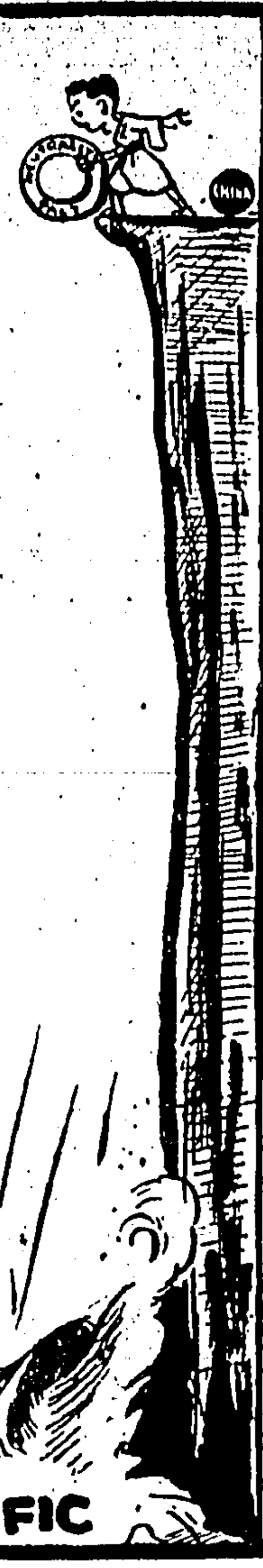
"But a fat lot of thanks we get. Oi, there—hurry that cup o' char! and Oi, there—gimme a double Woods!"

"And a certain class of soldier can't even say Please in the proper manner!"

"Madam," says Siberia. "Don't you Madam me!"

"Dear lady, I do appreciate your war-effort!" says Siberia. "but I think that you are hypersensitive."

"Any more o' that language in here and I'll call the Mandarins," says the Naffy Girl.



PACIFIC

—From the "China Fortnightly"

Hess Escaped To 'Save Humanity'

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 13 (UP).—Rudolf Hess fled to England with a fanatical desire to "save humanity" from the tragedy of a full Russo-German partnership, British quarters declared to-day.

This sensational theory was advanced after it had been disclosed that the Hess plane was riddled with Spitfire bullets. It is reported that Hess' first words were "I have come to save humanity."

Doctors said that Hess is wholly sane and that he did not bring any peace proposals or other messages from Hitler or the Nazi Party.

Core Is Rotten
Authoritative quarters declared that Hess left his wife and child and escaped the Nazis "because the core of Germany is rotten."

Another fantastic phase of the war's greatest sensation developed with the revelation that the Duke of Hamilton, on whose estate Hess landed, belonged to the now proscribed Anglo-German Fellowship Association.

Hess is believed to have met the Duke while the latter was engaged on the Mount Everest flying expedition in which Hess was also interested. The Duke of Hamilton is reported to be serving abroad with the R.A.F.

One responsible person remarked, "Hess appears to have got religion."

Nazi Party Statement On Hess Trap By British Suggested

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Nazi Party's "explanation" of Hess' flight to Scotland is now issued in the Party bulletin which declares:

"A perusal of the papers left behind by Hess discloses that he laboured under the delusion that a step taken on his personal initiative with Englishmen whom he formerly knew would lead to an understanding being reached between Germany and Britain."

"He has actually, as has been confirmed by a report from London, landed in Scotland by parachute near a place he wished to visit and was presumably picked up there injured. "Rudolf Hess, as was known to the Party, for years suffered increasingly in a physical sense and took refuge in various forms of hypnosis, astrology, etc. Attempts to elucidate to what extent these people are to blame for causing Hess' mental disturbance, which led him to take this step, are being made."

Trap By British
"It is also conceivable that Hess in the end was led into a trap by the British."

"The whole manner of his action confirms, however, the fact already given in the first report that he suffered from delusions. He, better than any one else, knew of the many peace offers made by the Fuehrer which came from the bottom of his heart. Apparently he laboured under an impression that by personal sacrifice he could prevent a development which, in his eyes, would only end in the complete destruction of the British Empire."

No Clear Notion
"Hess, whose sphere of activity, as is known, lay exclusively within the Party, did not have a clear notion about this act or its consequences, as may be deduced from the notes he left."

"The National Socialist Party regrets that this idealist fell victim to such fateful delusions. By this act nothing has been changed in the prosecution of the war against Britain forced upon the German people. It will be continued as the Fuehrer announced in his last speech, until the British leaders have been overthrown or are ready for peace."

No Russian Comment
MOSCOW, May 13 (UP).—The press to-day published the German communique of the Hess flight without making any further comment.

Late Claims Add To Nazi Air Losses

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—There has been very slight enemy air activity to-day and there are no reports of any bombs dropped," says an Air Ministry communique.

Activity was in the coastal areas, mainly in the southwest. One enemy aircraft was shot down into the sea by fighters. It is now known that the total of enemy aircraft destroyed in daylight on Thursday, May 8, was 15, an extra one having been claimed by the ground defences at a searchlight station.

The destruction of three more enemy aircraft on the night of May 11 is now confirmed, making the total that night 12 enemy bombers.

Peer In Group Wiped Out By Bomb

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire was killed by a bomb on Monday night together with his secretary and five other people.

The Earl, who had a colourful career, succeeded to the title at the age of 11. Since then he had been a Guards Officer, an apprentice in the mercantile marine and a farm hand in Australia.

At the outbreak of war, he became Liaison Officer for the Scientific Department in France.

DEATH DUTIES AMELIORATION

Persons Killed By Enemy

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Estates of civilians killed by enemy action will henceforth not be liable to death duties on the normal scale.

Relief will be granted on the same terms as those applying to members of the armed forces killed on active service.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer told the House of Commons to-day that the new arrangement would be made retrospective to the beginning of the war.

ITALIAN BRASS HATS SEE INDIA

SIMLA, May 13 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that Italian war prisoners in India include 20 generals and one admiral while a second admiral is shortly to be expected.

Camps are designed to accommodate 3,000 prisoners each. Four such camps make a group which is guarded by two infantry battalions. Seven such groups of camps have been established or are being established.

STOCK EXCHANGE Cheerful Sentiment

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was generally firm with sentiment cheerful. Leading industrial shares improved on country buying.

Kaffir dividend payers met active Cape enquiry. Diamonds were also good. Oils were firm with Mexican and Anglo-Egyptians higher. Gilt-edged bonds and home rails were about unchanged.

Among foreign bonds, Japanese and Chinese improved.

Wall Street was quiet.

Nazis' No. 1 Diplomatic Intriguer In Ankara

ANKARA, May 13 (Reuter).—The German Ambassador, Herr Franz von Papen, whose return from Germany where he had been having consultations with Nazi leaders had been expected for some time, arrived in Ankara this evening.

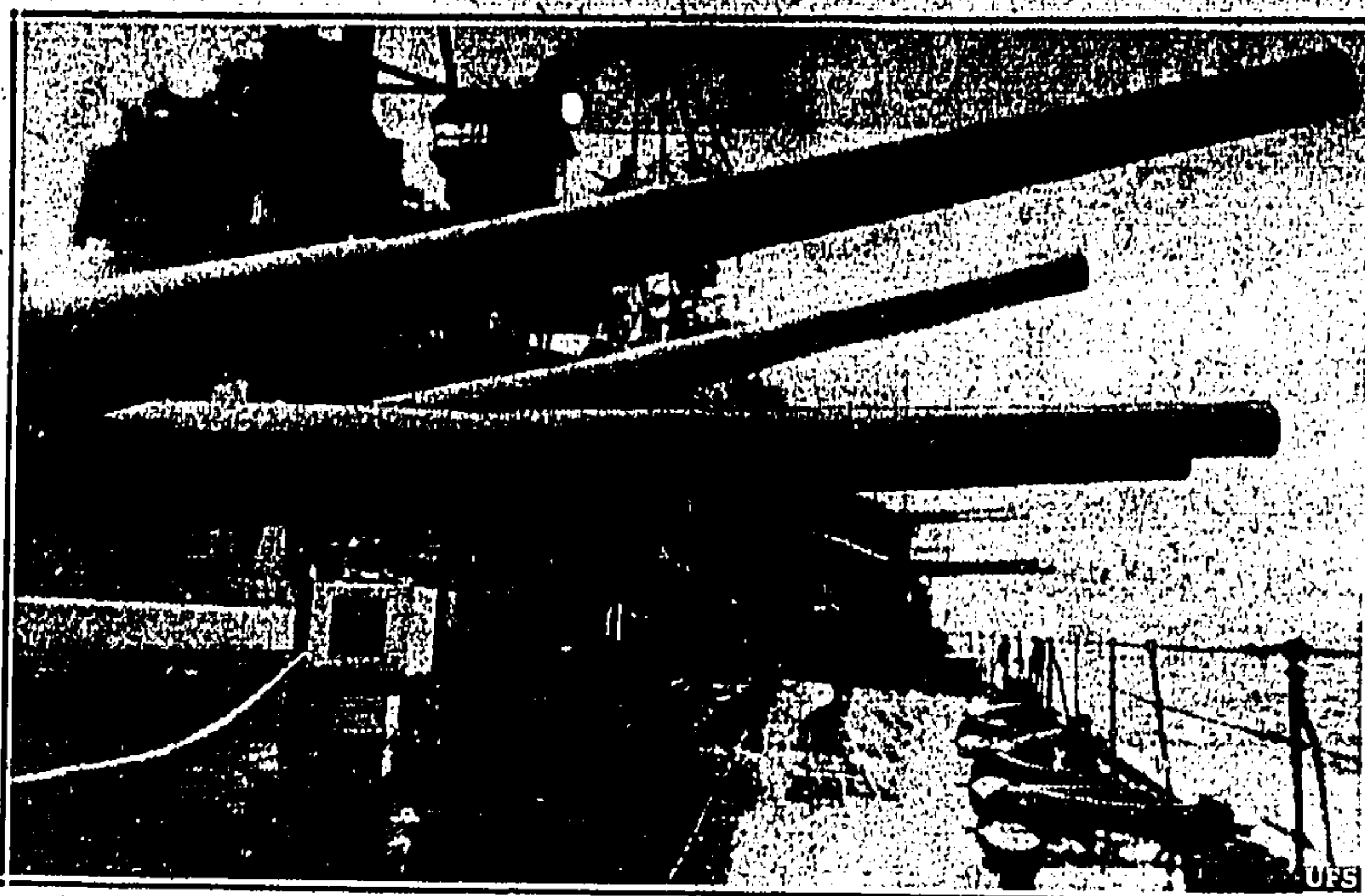
He came by air from Salzburg where, according to German sources, he saw Hitler yesterday. Herr von Papen was accompanied by his wife and daughter.

Carrying a yellow case and a black hat, Herr von Papen looked like a fashion plate when he stepped from his aeroplane.

Satellites' Greeting
Axis diplomats rushed to greet him, the Hungarian Minister reminding Herr von Papen that he was dining at the Hungarian Legation to-night.

Frau von Papen and daughter, accompanied by German motorcade, Mercedes which led back to Ankara a long cavalcade of Lancias, Opels and Mercedes.

Ford taxis marshalled by the accompanying newspaper correspondents struck the only discordant note in this atmosphere of splendour.



BRITAIN'S MIGHTIEST—General drill takes place beneath the turret of quadruple 14-inch guns aboard Britain's newest and mightiest battleship, King George V. It was this ship that took Lord Halifax, British Ambassador, to the United States. The ship has secondary armament of 5-inch guns.

Raschid Ali Reveals Terms For Mediation By Turkey

ANKARA, May 13 (Reuter).—Raschid Ali's terms for Turkish mediation, delivered by Haji Sayid Shawkat, the Iraqi Defence Minister, are reliably reported to be as follows:

- (1) British troops landing at Basra should not remain there but proceed to a destination outside Iraq;
- (2) Raschid Ali, while agreeing to an increase in the number of British troops in Iraq, insists that such increase and the manner it is carried out must be determined and settled by a joint Anglo-Iraqi Commission.

Since these two points are contrary to the terms of the Anglo-Iraqi Treaty, it is felt in Ankara that there is very little chance of Shawkat's visit being successful to the rebels.

Mission Concluded

The Iraqi Legation at Ankara has refused any statement other than that Shawkat's mission has concluded although he is staying on for a few days, probably to see Herr von Papen, it is suggested.

Raschid Ali's attempt to declare a holy war against Britain is ridiculed and makes the rebels doubly guilty against their own people, who owe their independence to Britain.

Egypt's Offer Rejected

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—Acknowledging Egypt's offer of mediation, the Raschid Ali administration, while thanking Egypt for the offer, state that they are availing themselves of the Turkish offer which was received first.

Evacuates Reach India

KARACHI, May 13 (Reuter).—Sixty British evacuees, women and children from Iraq, have arrived here.

ABYSSINIA Italians Come In Out Of The Rain

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—British operations in Amba Alagi area, Abyssinia, are continuing to develop satisfactorily and British troops, advancing on the town, have captured a further 200 Italians, according to a G.H.Q. communique.

In the south, despite heavy rains, the Imperial forces are continuing to advance in all areas.

In the lake district south of Addis Ababa, Imperial troops have successfully assaulted an enemy position, inflicting heavy casualties and capturing 13 Italian and 143 African prisoners.

Beaverbrook's New Job

On Defence Committee

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Lord Beaverbrook's functions and constitutional status were further defined by Mr Winston Churchill in the House of Commons to-day.

The Cabinet Defence Committee will work in two sections—operations and supply. Mr Clement Attlee will be Deputy Chairman of the former and Lord Beaverbrook of the latter. Lord Beaverbrook will also act as referee on majority questions.

Malta Holds Off Raiders Negligible Damage

MALTA, May 13 (Reuter).—Successful attacks were made on Malta last night by Axis aircraft with little success.

A British communique says that despite a number of bombs dropped, there were no services or civilian casualties and almost negligible civilian damage was done.

This morning the attacks were followed up by escorted reconnaissance planes and this afternoon a small bomber formation, escorted by a large number of fighters, dropped bombs, causing little damage.

Patrolling Hurricanes engaged the enemy fighters and some of these were seen to be damaged.

Royal Empire Society Building Hit In Blitz

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The Royal Empire Society's building in London, which is well-known to visitors all over the world, was severely damaged in recent air raids.

Practically the entire Law Library, involving between 12,000 and 15,000 books, was destroyed. In addition, between 10,000 and 12,000 books were destroyed in the newspaper room, including the whole of the British Empire section.

Other losses involved were the complete section of foreign colonisation as well as irreplaceable foreign periodicals and official journals of former German and other colonies. The entire Hind collection of books concerning East Africa and the Gibraltar and Malta sections were also lost.

The administrative quarters together with its India Room, New Zealand Room and social rooms were gutted.

Nazi Threat To America

Red Sea Danger Area

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Operations of German forces in the Red Sea will have to be reckoned with as a result of the development of the war in the Eastern Mediterranean, it is officially announced on the German radio.

Every ship that sails in this territory, which has become an area for operations, therefore risks destruction by mines and other means of war, states the announcement.

The German Government, therefore, warns ships not to navigate in the following area:

The Northern part of the Red Sea, including the Gulf of Suez and the Gulf of Aqaba as far as the Tropic of Cancer, excluding the territorial waters of Saudi Arabia.

Directed Against U.S.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, May 13 (UP).—The official German announcement of the extension of the war zone area to the Red Sea is declared by German quarters to be connected with the intensified hostilities in the Mediterranean, but is interpreted by neutral foreign diplomatic quarters to be primarily directed against the United States. These quarters linked the extension to President Roosevelt's recent opening of the Red Sea for United States shipping.

German informed circles declined to confirm this theory, but on the contrary stated that one warning is directed against shipping of all States. "Ships entering the specified area do so at their own risk," they declared. "However, that is their business."

WHITE HOUSE PICKETS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP).—The American Peace Mobilization group continued its fifth day of picketing before the White House under a special police guard.

Last night, 20 soldiers, sailors and Marines attacked the marchers and one man was injured.

Devaluation Powers

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP).—The House Coinage Committee by a vote of nine to seven to-day approved a bill to continue President Roosevelt's devaluation powers for another two years, with an amendment limiting the price for foreign gold to \$35.00 per ounce.

HOME GUARDS' STORY OF TALK WITH HESS

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—During his stay at the McLean farmhouse, Rudolf Hess was in the custody of two British Home Guards, Jack Peterson and Robert Gibson, it is now revealed.

The Guards declared that Hess said: "I had no bombs in my plane, so don't worry. He had a map on which his route from Augsburg to Scotland was marked in blue pencil. Hess said that he had never been in Britain before, but did not seem to be at all worried."

"He was the calmest man in the party," one of the Guards continued. "When offered a cigarette, he said that he did not smoke. He was surprised to find that we had plenty of milk and drank half a glassful."

"He complained that he felt somewhat cramped after being in the plane so long and that his ankle was very painful."

"He had a camera strapped round his neck but assured us that he had not taken any photos."

A Souvenir

Before leaving the farm, Hess thanked the Home Guards for their kindness and presented one of them with a drinking cup as a souvenir.

A collection of compressed food was found on him by his military escort. He told them that he had filled an extra petrol tank to the plane to ensure that it would cover the journey and dropped the extra tank into the sea as he approached the Scottish coast.

Hess circled for a long time over the spot where he landed but in the gathering darkness he could not find a suitable landing place. He then climbed several thousand feet, threw the plane over on its back and switched off the engine. Just as he was falling out of the upturned machine, he again switched on the engine and sent the plane hurtling to earth while he himself fell clear.

DAREAN RETURNS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, May 13 (UP).—The Vice-Premier, Admiral Darlan, arrived here from Paris at 6.15 p.m. on a special train and immediately reported the details of his conversations with Hitler, Ribbentrop and Abetz to Marshal Petain with whom he was closeted alone.

Council Convened

VICHY, May 13 (UP).—Marshal Petain to-day convened the Council of Ministers to meet at 11 a.m. on Wednesday to hear the report of Vice-Premier Admiral Darlan regarding his conversations at Paris and Berchtesgaden.

Thailand Seeks N. E. I. Oil

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BANGKOK, May 13 (UP).—Major Vilas Ostanonada, Minister of State and Director-General of the Department of Publicity, arrived here by plane to-day from Batavia via Singapore.

His mission it is understood, is to get a contract for fuel oil from the D.E.I. and the purchase of ships; however, the results have not as yet been disclosed.

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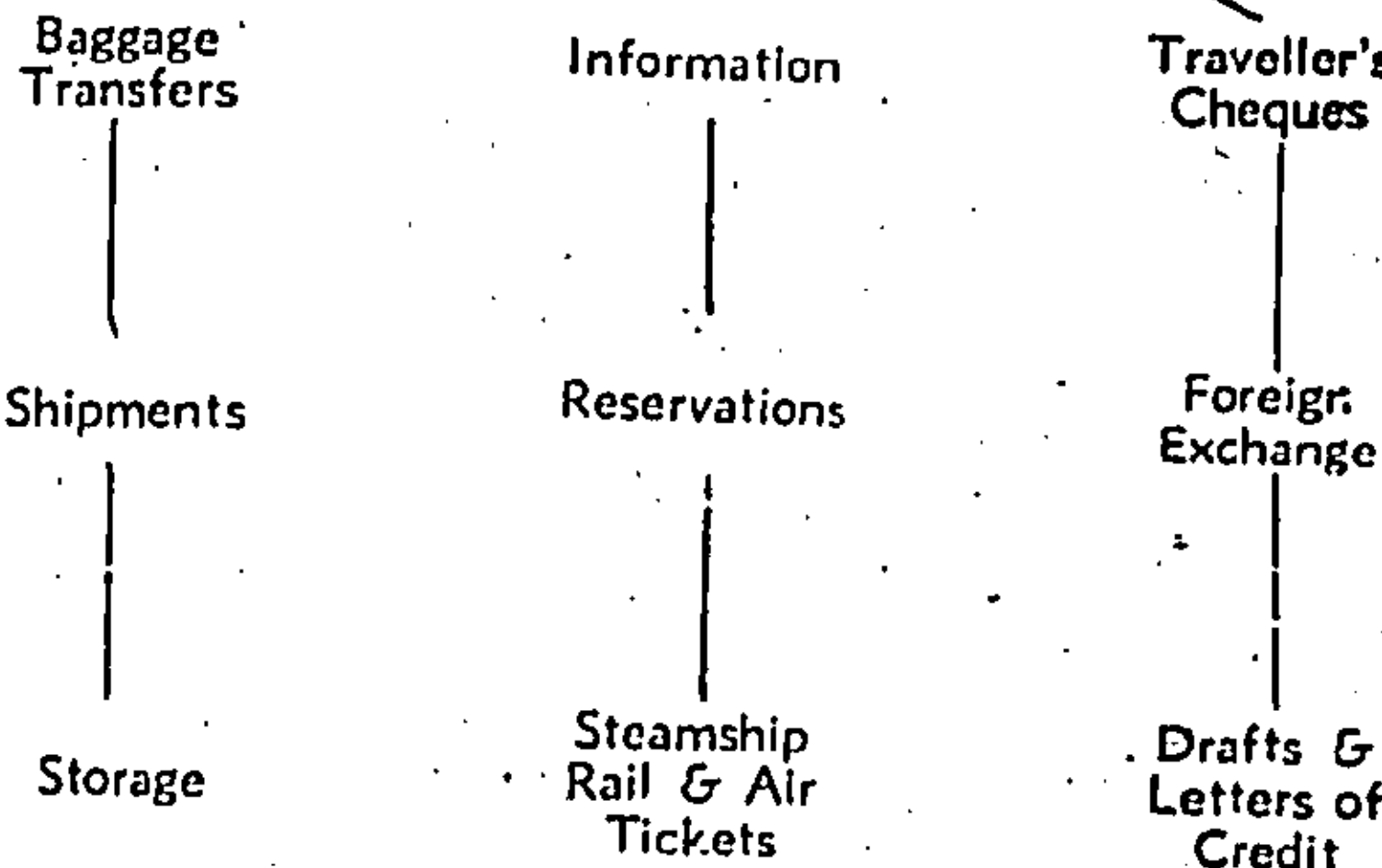
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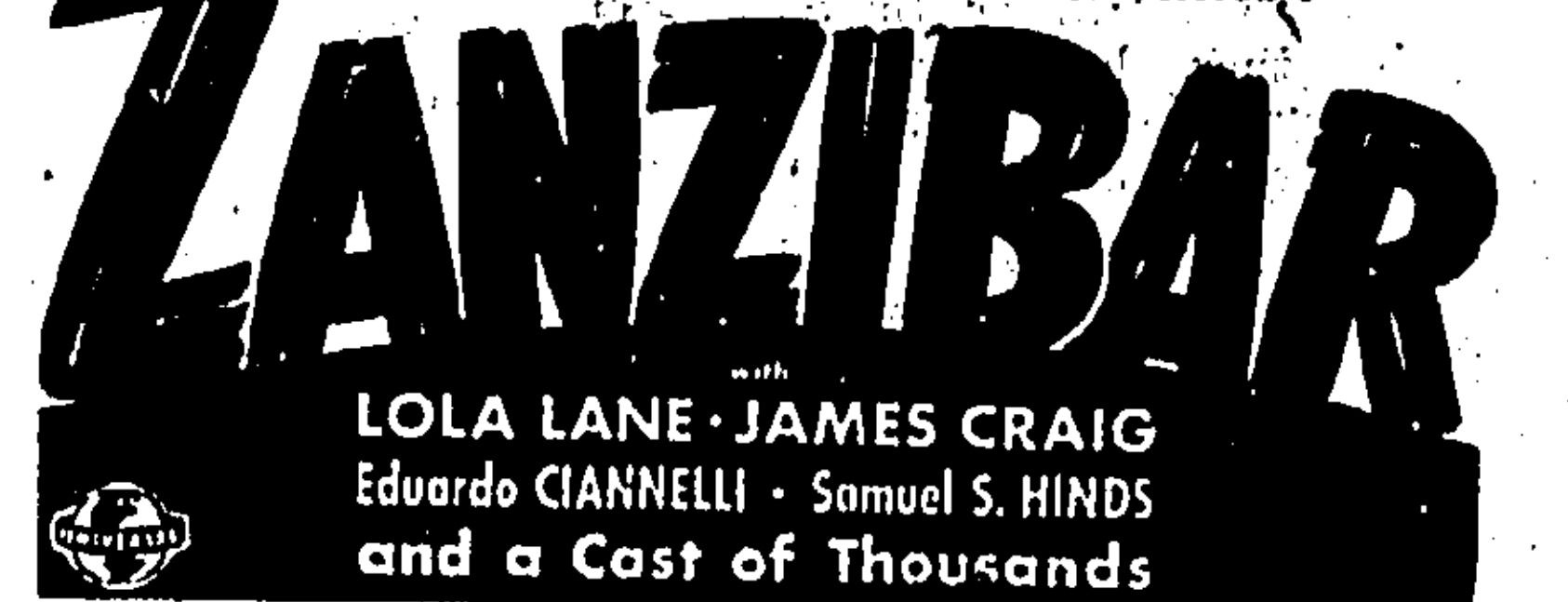
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Around The Courses

Difficult Conditions For Golf In Macao

Fairways And Sand Greens In Very Poor Shape

Macao Governor Interested

(By "Birdie")

A WEEK-END VISIT was made to Macao on Sunday, and though an enjoyable day was spent, golf suffered terribly through the poor conditions of the course. It is, as it were, still in the rough, and the most imperative improvements should be the cutting of the grass on the fairways and the softening of the greens.

The greens are of clay and not even the thin loose surface of sand can temper the penalties for pitching thereon. In its present condition the course is a very "sporty" one, though a local ruling makes one's shot always playable provided one is on the fairway.

This ruling is that on the fairway to the green it is permitted to tee up the ball—from outside the fairway one must play the ball where it lies.

In this respect the course is very playable, though the length of the grass on the fairways provides a fifty-fifty chance of losing the ball!

At the moment, however, there are difficulties in the way of improvements that must be appreciated. Firstly, the course is in the process of being drained and conditions underfoot are being made more comfortable.

As with the Country Club at Sheungshui, the clayed nature of the soil at Macao holds the rainwater for an unbelievably long time. But the work of drainage in under way at the moment.

Until this is done, the levelling of various parts cannot be attended to, nor can the grass be cut except by hand until the course is levelled.

But on the approaches to the greens, I think the effort should be made, even by hand, for the greens themselves are very small, and it requires great accuracy to pitch on them. And when one pitches it is practically impossible to stay there. The only other way of getting there, therefore, is to pitch and run and this cannot be done when the grass is as long as it is.

PERHAPS first consideration should be given to the greens, for they are the easier to deal with. At the moment, their texture is like that of granite. Of course, the sun has been doing its share of the damage during the past two or three weeks, for there has been no rain and they have been steadily baked harder and harder.

The only thing that can be done to them now is to have them dug up again. There is plenty of water available, for the main obstacle on the course is a great pond in the centre. This is about 5 feet deep near the edges and much more in the centre, and it is quite full. Use should be made of it to keep the greens in a constantly wet condition (after they have been dug).

I stood by on Sunday and watched one player put five consecutive balls into the middle of this pond, while a small host of boys splashed around like performing seals and dived to find them.

But it is going to be useless reconditioning these greens if there is going to be no ruling made about the wearing of studded shoes. After seeing some of the marks, I wonder it has not been made before.

These improvements would work wonders with the course, and being pleasantly situated away from the town the Club would become one of the main sports features of the Portuguese Colony. It is something that is worth the work that will be necessary.

THEIR Excellencies, the Governors of Hongkong and Macao, paid an informal visit to the Country Club, Sheungshui, on Saturday, and H.E. Cmdr G. M. Teixeira expressed his appreciation of the course. He showed a keen interest in golf which speaks itself for any encouragement that players in Macao may feel they need in progressing with their own course.

Junior Chess Matches

Two matches in the Junior Chess Championship of the Colony have been played this week. Last night Un Kwai-yung beat J. Tausz, and on Monday R. C. Gardner beat E. M. Petrov.

Club Matches

In the Junior Club competition, A. C. Poupard beat J. Grefalda in the first game of a three-game play-off.

Buddy Baer Beats Galento On T.K.O.

Tony Claims Broken Fist

WASHINGTON, May.—Buddy Baer, young Californian, was awarded a sixth-round technical knockout over Tony Galento, last month when the New Jersey tavern-keeper's handlers claimed Tony broke his hand and was unable to continue.

Tony had been taking a bad beating after the first round of the fight, scheduled for 10. One of his handlers cut the tape on Tony's left glove during the intermission following the sixth. Referee Eddie Lafond ran to Galento's corner and ordered Tony not to remove the mitt.

Photographers jumped into the ring and Baer raced between a battery of cameras as the bell rang for the seventh.

Lafond declared Baer the winner when Tony's handlers insisted on removing the glove.

A boxing commission physician examined Galento's hand but declined to comment.

Doctor Reticent

Tony left the ring amid a chorus of boos and was taken to casualty hospital for X-rays to determine if his hand was broken. Dr Marvin McLean, the commission's physician, accompanied him.

Dr McLean refused to confirm Galento's claim of a break or serious injury and when Tony failed to appear early to-day for an X-ray examination at a hospital, the commission ordered the fighter's share of the purse held up.

Galento, his face swollen and his nose bleeding profusely, looked like a thoroughly beaten fighter.

About 8,500 fans paid around \$25,000 to see the bout.

H. Valley Summer Foursomes

The following is the draw for the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Happy Valley Summer Foursomes:

Byes into second round.—A. C. I. Bowyer (7) and W. F. Simmonds (18); W. G. E. Witterton (12) and T. J. Price (10); C. F. Bellamy (15) and A. V. Graves (11); F. C. Barry (10) and A. V. Ahern (10); C. E. Moore (14) and J. B. Lee (11).

First Round.—J. Gellatly (18) and N. J. Bebbington (12) v. A. J. MacFarlane (18) and A. M. Muir (14); J. E. Dovey (10) and L. D. Trevor (17) v. A. L. Powell (10) and W. J. Butler (11); A. D. Humphreys (9) and L. M. S. Lloyd (12) v. H. Forrest (3) and J. W. Anderson (10); F. V. De Tonne (6) and G. W. Neave (11) v. H. H. Mundy (5) and W. Stoker (12); A. R. Mackenzie (6) and Col. E. D. Matthews (13) v. J. M. Thomson (9) and N. J. Booker (13); A. J. Dennis (5) and W. S. Hillier (7) v. J. Linaker (12) and G. W. Sewell (11).

Byes into second round.—R. Young (6) and G. M. Park (4) v. A. Stewart (9) and T. Low (10) v. H. Smith (8) and Greenwood (18); T. B. Low (11) and R. K. Collins (6) v. A. H. Penn (12) and J. R. Collis (13).

The first round must be held on the morning of June 1, the second on June 15, the third on June 29, the semi-final on July 13 and the final on July 27. It is notified that the Committee may alter the dates if necessary on account of the weather.



The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo distributing the prizes at the Schools and Open Athletic Meet at Caroline Hill last week-end. Pui Ying College representative receiving championship award for "C" Grade competition.—Ming Yuen.

Twelve Teams Enter For Water Polo Tournament

First Matches Next Week

The water-polo tournament sponsored by the European Y.M.C.A. will begin on Tuesday. It is anticipated that the tournament, which has attracted 12 entries, will take about two and a half months to complete.

At a meeting yesterday Mr R. Goldman (Chairman) presided and others present were Messrs A. F. May, L. A. Benn (Y.M.C.A.), Lieut. F. Carter (Navy), Lieut. H. A. Millar (Royal Scots and Army Water-polo Secretary), P.S.M. W. B. Ure (Middlesex), Lieut. F. Paul (Navy), Cpl. G. Bedford (Signals and Secretary of Combined Small Units), F. Willis (Asst. Secretary).

The Chairman said the 12 teams entered were Navy A, B, C, Royal Scots, Signals, Middlesex A, B, European Y.M.C.A., Combined Small Units, 8th Coastal Regiment, 5th A.A., 965 Defence Bty.

Sgt. Page, 5th A.A., was elected

Admiralty representative on the committee.

It was proposed that each of the three swimming pools provide complete sets of caps and flags and two whistles. The home team will provide the ball. Both teams must provide a goal judge each. A fee of \$3 will be charged per team for entrance in order to purchase seven souvenir medals for the winning team.

Rules

The no-ducking rule will be strictly adhered to and the duration of games will be 10 minutes, each half with a three minute interval. No extra time will be played in case of a draw. A player can play for only one team and in case of a naval player being transferred three months must elapse before he can become eligible for his new ship.

Two points will be awarded for a win and one for a draw.

Following are the fixtures and referees for the first fortnight: May 20—Middlesex A v. Y.M.C.A. (Army), 6.45 p.m.; Lieut. Millar, Navy v. Signals (Y.M.C.A.), 7 p.m.; L/Cpl. Nicholas. May 22—Navy A v. 965th Bty. (Navy), 5.30 p.m.; P. S. M. Ure, 8th Coastal Regt. v. Small Units (Army), 6.45 p.m.; Pte. Jennings, Scots v. Middlesex B (Y.M.C.A.), 7 p.m.; F. Willis. May 23—5th A.A. v. Navy B (Navy), 11 a.m.; Rutter, 8th Coastal Regt. v. Middlesex B (Y.M.C.A.), 11 a.m.; Tel. Paul. May 27—Middlesex A v. Small Units (Y.M.C.A.), 7 p.m.; F. Willis. May 28—Scots v. Signals (Army), 6.45 p.m.; Navy C v. Defence Bty. (Navy), 5.30 p.m.; Sgt. McLaren, 5th A.A. Regt. v. Navy B (Navy), 5 p.m.; Sig. McCann. June 2—Navy A v. Y.M.C.A. (Army), 11 a.m.; Cpl. Bedford.

Famous Aussie Horse Bought For £6,825

MELBOURNE.—One of Australia's greatest racehorses, Ajax, which was purchased for £6,825 (about \$24,430 Canadian) by W. U. Smith last month, will be bred with several mares which will be sent in foal to join the stable of Louis B. Mayer in California. Ajax was withdrawn from racing after suffering an injury.

Sculls Champion Reported Missing

Pilot Officer Louis Barry, English professional sculling champion in 1936, is reported missing on active service.

Pilot Officer Barry is a gunner and has been in the R.A.F. for about a year.

RUSSIAN AQUATIC RECORD BROKEN

MOSCOW, April 29 (Tass).—Yesterday in the five-town swimming and diving contest the first place for women in the free style 100 metres was won by Kochetkova of Moscow in 1 minute nine and half seconds which was one second better than her previous All-Union record.

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"B" (away) v. C.R.C.C.—C. M. Silva, C. H. Basto, J. C. Remedios and J. J. Basto; F. A. Machado, D. C. Alves, E. Sousa and B. Basto; C. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues and A. P. Guiterres.

2nd Div. (home) v. P.O.C.—E. L. Barros, N. Beltrao, C. M. S. Alves and O. F. Remedios; A. J. Osmund, A. V. Barros, F. A. Xavier and T. R. Soares; A. F. Noronha, F. J. A. Marques, C. A. Lopes and J. A. Remedios.

3rd Div. (away) v. H.K.F.C.—A. A. Roza, X. Monteiro, M. F. Pinna and P. A. Yvanovich; P. Almeida, A. Cunha, E. A. R. Alves and M. A. Carvalho; L. A. Rozario, H. M. Xavier, M. Mendonca and M. Alarcon.

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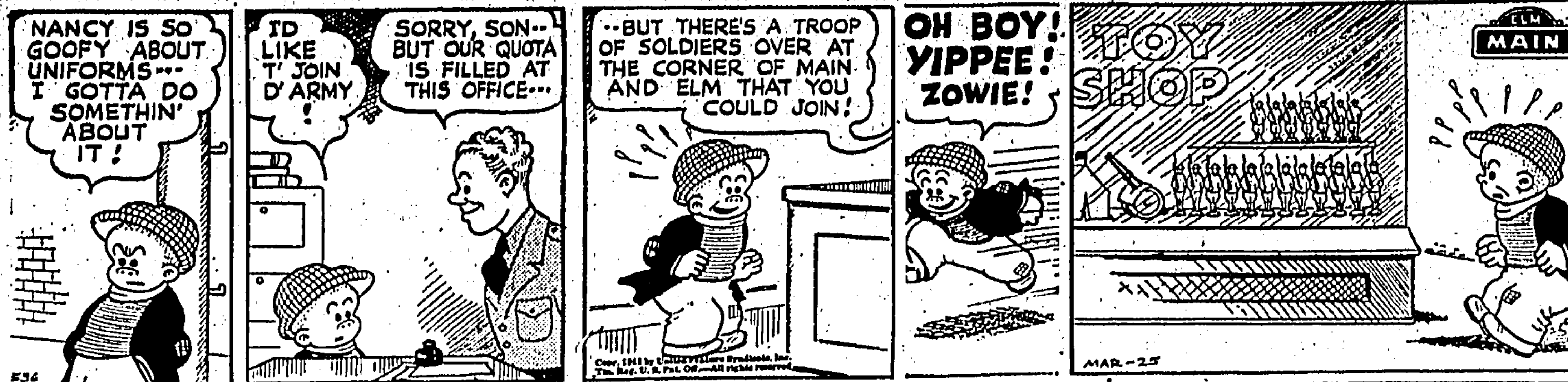
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NANCY



FOREIGN PROPAGANDA—Tons of foreign propaganda in the form of books, pamphlets and circulars, seized from trans-Pacific liners, are destroyed at the San Francisco post office. Their origin is Russia, Japan and Germany.

Margaret Bourke-White Describes Chungking

Famed for her documentary photography, Miss Margaret Bourke-White proved from Chungking that she is equally capable of documenting in words any situation that strikes her as interesting. Visiting China's war capital as a team for "Life" magazine with her famous author-playwright husband, Erskine Caldwell, Miss Bourke-White complied with a request from United China Relief, Inc. of New York and broadcast her impressions of Chungking and Free China from Chungking's International Broadcasting Station.

Said broadcaster Bourke-White: "The hardest thing to realise is the sheer number of people who have been made homeless by this war. This war has put more people on the march, caused more shifts of population, caused more sheer volume of misery than any war in history.

"Even the face of the map has been changed. When the Yellow River dykes were bombed out, the course of the river was changed and the old valley where millions of people lived and raised their crops dried up. It is as if the Mississippi River were diverted from flowing into the Gulf of Mexico and flowed instead into the Atlantic Ocean through Georgia.

"A dust bowl developed where these millions of people lived and these hordes too are on the march, indirect victims of war.

"So the building and excavating go on: a constant tapping and splitting of rock and carrying away spoonfuls of earth in the slow steady way the Chinese have worked for centuries. And in the midst of this steady building of new houses and new shelters at a time-honoured, steady pace, the bombardments come and the people have to build their houses all over again.

"So the temporary dwellings become even more temporary in appearance. I visited some by the great steps that lead down to the Yangtze. . . . The new ones that they build are entirely of bamboo.

"People wear bamboo in this country, eat it raw or boiled, weave it into houses, use it instead of iron pipes in factories, bind their rafters together with it, and use it instead of nails.

"When I walked into one of the apartments, I was astonished to see the most beautiful wall paper I had seen in Chungking. I looked closely and saw it was made of hundreds of wrappers for sardine cans, pasted up to make a pattern.

"The occupants had found the brightly coloured papers in the ruins of a shop blasted out in an air raid and had brought them home to make their new, modern apartment more beautiful.

"However, for one group of apartments like this that I describe, there are countless millions of families living under a grass rug strung between three poles, living even under an umbrella stuck in the sand.

On Warphans

"There are bright spots in the dark picture. One is the War Orphanage in the outskirts of Chungking. This is the special war baby of the beau-

tiful and hard-working Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

"In all of Madame Chiang's war orphanages there are 30,000 orphans. Actually there are hundreds of thousands of orphans in China, created when their parents were killed in bombing or fighting when their homes were destroyed, when those areas had to be hastily evacuated so that thousands of children became hopelessly lost and separated from their families.

"In between raising pigs and vegetables and climbing into dugouts during air raids, the children take their arithmetic lessons. . . . But in learning to count they use all the symbols of war. They have cut out little pictures and pasted them on the blackboard. Under "1" they have pasted a cut of a bombing plane. Number "2" is represented by two anti-aircraft guns. The other numbers are illustrated by rifles, sabres and so on.

"But when they get to "10" I was pleased to see that childhood interests reasserted themselves—they had cut out pictures of ten butterflies. But there is more of bombing than of butterflies in their childish lives.

Factories

"From the rocky peak above the war orphan's shelter one can get a very good view of Chungking. Down in the valley near the broad and always misty Yangtze, it is possible to pick out some of the factories if you know where to look for them.

"They are strange sights. Their smokestacks are camouflaged like trees, covered with branches and draped with nets painted green. And it is not enough to cover a smokestack with branches. You must replace them with fresh branches every few days.

"Some of the factories can only be found if someone who trusts you will tell you where they are. They are carved into the earth under vegetable gardens. Underneath carved into caverns of earth and rock are generators, lathes, milling machines and vital machines of all kinds. These machines have a history of being carried piece by piece for hundreds of miles on coolie back, in river sampans, in hand carts.

"This broadcast is going out from transmitters sunk deep in reinforced concrete and stone dugout underground. The engineering staff works entirely underground and all the vital caves of solid rock."

Boy Avenges Death Of Officer

On his first trip to sea, a seventeen-year-old boy of West Hartlepool (Co. Durham) avenged the death of an officer who was killed at his side while fighting a German plane.

The boy, John Verrall, volunteered to help the third officer at the ship's gun when the raider swooped on the ship and machine-gunned the decks.

When the officer fell, killed by the German's rear gun, John took over the ship's gun and fired on the raider each time it swooped.

Then the aircraft's rear gun fired no more: the gunner had been hit by John Verrall's gun.

Ship Abandoned

But four of the ship's crew, as well as the third officer, were killed by the German's bombs and bullets and the ship had to be abandoned. The story of John Verrall's pluck was told when the survivors landed at a west coast port.

John, who was messroom boy, told a reporter that he knew enough to keep the gun firing. "I meant to get the rear gunner if I could," he said.

Army Smokes Rationed

Ten cigarettes a day will be the unofficial ration of Army officers and men while the present shortage lasts, Lieut.-Colonel R. A. D. Allott, Western Command N.A.A.F.I. supervisor, said.

"We in the Army are really worse off for cigarettes than civilians," said Colonel Allott. "There is no preferential treatment between officers and men. Both get the same number."

Some Army units in the north are handing out coupons for two twenty-packs per man weekly.

They must be surrendered when cigarettes are bought at the unit's NAAFI, but there is nothing to prevent soldiers buying extra smokes from other sources.

"The rationing affects men in all Services," an official of the Imperial Tobacco Company said.

Death Sentence On Malay For Murder

After a trial lasting six days, a Malay, Haji Suleiman bin Haji Abdul Wahid, was found guilty at the Perak Assizes of murdering Mrs Mary Zainah Maxwell. Mr Justice Horne passed sentence of death on the accused.

The Maxwells were found shot dead in their bungalow at Maryland Estate in the early hours of last Nov. 7. Mr Maxwell was found to have been shot dead while he was asleep, while Mrs Maxwell's body was found huddled up in a cupboard. Ramah, ten-year-old daughter of the Maxwells, lived to tell the story of the shooting.

During the trial witnesses—drivers and conductors—said they saw Haji Suleiman leaving Taling for Sugar on the day in question, having with him a woman's bicycle.

Accused, who said he was a former driver of the Maxwells, gave an alibi in his defence. He admitted visiting the Maxwells on Nov. 5 to settle a question of wages and at the same time to give them greetings. He said he returned to Taling the same evening and on the following day went to work as usual and saw a performance at a park that night with his wife and daughter.

The prosecution withdrew a second charge, of the murder of Mr C. N. Maxwell, against the accused.

Caldbeck, Macgregor's Pay Dividend \$7.50

At the annual general meeting of Messrs Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co., Ltd. held in Shanghai on April 30, after making substantial increases to Reserves, a final dividend of \$5 was declared on the ordinary shares, making a total of \$7.50 per share for the 12 months.

In addition to this, donations to War Funds were approved amounting to \$210,000.

PIONEER OFFICER IS GERMAN

For the first time in this war the King's Commission has been granted to a German. He is a refugee serving with the Pioneer Corps.

This German was one of the first "enemy aliens" to enlist when the Pioneers accepted them early last year.

He served with the Corps in Britain and later in France, and took part in the evacuation from Dunkirk.

He has been given the rank of Second-Lieutenant after having received training on the same lines as British candidates for commissions.

Anti-Nazi

The new officer, who is under thirty, was forced to leave Germany because of his anti-Nazi activities.

Hitherto all officers commanding foreign units of the Pioneer Corps were British.

German Pioneers have been doing clearance work in the bombed parts of London and elsewhere.

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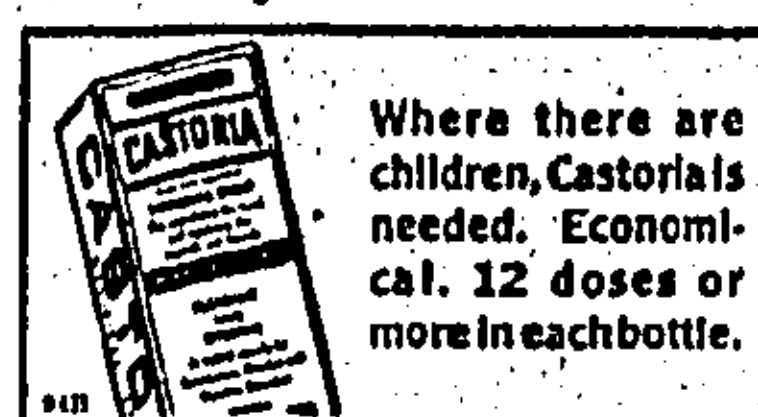
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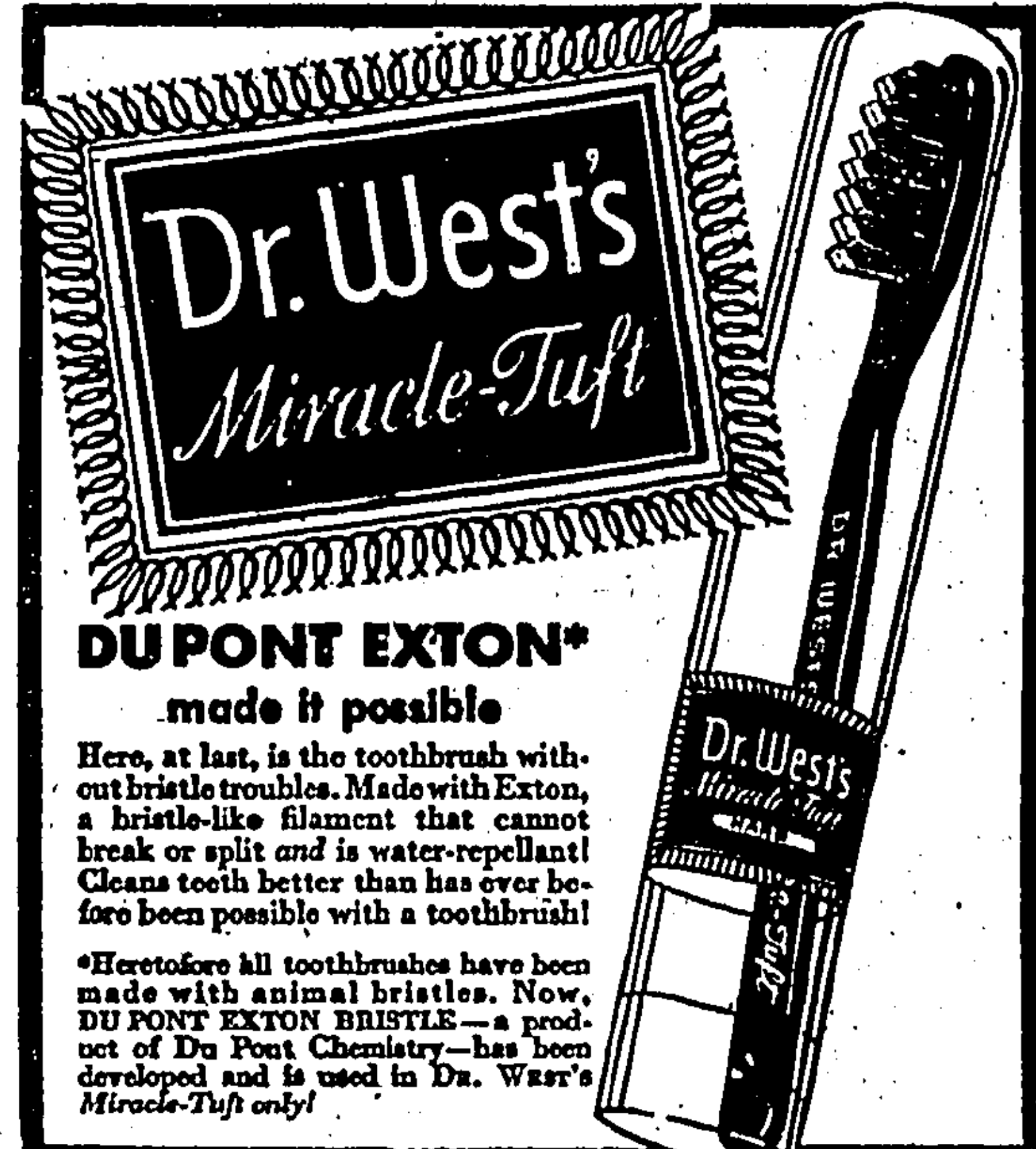


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Prize Court Decisions

Unique Bargain With Crown Has Sequel

Cargo and goods consigned to the enemy and seized on board ships in Hongkong were the subject of actions in the Prize Court before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, this morning.

Mr T. J. Gould, the Proper Officer of the Crown, made an application in respect of part cargo on board the ships Elbe, Kulmerland, Nordmark and Sophie Rickmers.

He said that the actions were unusual and might be unique in this war. At the outbreak of the war, there were in Hongkong German ships with cargo consigned to Hongkong. Amongst them were the Elbe, Kulmerland, Nordmark and Sophie Rickmers. They took shelter in neutral ports, two in Japanese ports and two in the Netherlands East Indies, which had at that time not yet entered the war.

Cargo Offered For Sale

In accordance with international custom under such circumstances, the agents or masters of those vessels held themselves out to be willing to part with cargo if the port dues were not paid. Certain bankers, to whom the cargo was consigned, then were threatened with considerable loss. A scheme was evolved whereby the Crown gave licence to pay these dues, and the licence was conditional on the goods being brought to Hongkong, where, if they were found not to be enemy goods, they would be released. The surplus of goods sold was to go into the possession of the Crown.

The scheme, said Mr Gould, amounted to a bargain between the Crown and the banks, whereby the Crown gave up its rights to condemn the goods.

Surplus Condemned

There was a surplus from the cargoes of these ships of about \$120,000.

His Lordship granted an order for condemnation of the residue after deduction of charges involved in bringing the goods to the Colony. He ordered that the banks be at liberty to retain for their own use the sums shown as proper charges in each of the schedules, and directed that the surplus in the hands of the Marshal be paid into Court and that that surplus be condemned.

First Case of Its Kind

Another application was in respect of parcels and letters seized in Hongkong as contraband.

Mr Gould said that the case was the first of its nature to be brought before the Court during this war. The list of articles was divided into two categories—financial contraband and food and clothing. A financial contraband seized comprised cheques and drafts.

He asked for an order for the financial contraband to be delivered into the hands of the Crown and for the sale of the parcels.

His Lordship granted an order for the sale of the parcels and for the safe custody of the financial contraband.

Hakozaki Maru

A further application was in respect of parcels seized on board the steamer Hakozaki Maru.

Mr Gould said that the case was exactly similar to the preceding one, except that there was no financial contraband. The bulk of the goods was conditional contraband and was consigned to Germany.

His Lordship granted an order for the condemnation of the goods and for the proceeds of sale to be delivered into Court as droils of Admiralty.

Mr Gould also made an application for condemnation of the proceeds of sale of part cargo seized on the steamer Agamemnon. The goods seized, he said, had been released for sale and the proceeds paid to the Marshal in Prize.

The application was granted.

Chungking Scoffs At Peace Schemes

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ing China; and, secondly, Japan's desire to concentrate on the richer and possibly easier pickings in south-eastern Asia after which she will probably return to deal with China at her leisure.

"China is not in the least interested in helping Japan out of her dilemma in China and views with long range self-interest as well, the very real help that is forthcoming from America and Britain, as well as the traditional policy of friendship with those nations and is willing to undergo another series of sacrifices to prevent Japan from shifting southwards," declared the Generalissimo.

Japan's Desire

TOKYO, May 14 (UP).—The vernacular newspapers to-day gave prominence to Ambassador Honda's press interview at Kyoto last night with headlines reflecting the national desire for a speedy settlement of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

A typical headline appeared in the Asahi Shimbun, observing: "Japanese diplomacy toward China is toward the new development." However, it stressed that Ambassador Honda's reported statement that "Japan must be thoroughgoing in rearing the Nanking Government; third Powers are unnecessary for the settlement of the Sino-Japanese affair."

In this connection the paper pointed out that Japan's idea, Germany and Italy, should be induced to recognise the Nanking regime for the purpose of recognising the new order in East Asia.

Jack Benny Gets Salary Raise

Jack Benny has signed a new radio contract which will pay him \$17,500 a week, officials of the National Broadcasting Company said.

Berlin Fears Hess Divulges Secrets

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people of Glasgow who might possibly expect a rain of bombs.

The Prime Minister declared: "He will not always be in Glasgow."

Seething Comment

NEW YORK, May 13 (Reuter).—The German suggestion that Hess is suffering from hallucinations and that he plans to crash as the result of an accident is seething set aside by the "Baltimore Sun."

"His real crash," the newspaper says, "was when he crashed into the headlines. What is significant is that when a Nazi gets fed up, his only safe course is to flee to the very edge of the world, and then to put down. Whoever heard of a fed-up Briton fleeing to Germany?"

Nazi Hierarchy Doomed

SYDNEY, May 13 (Reuter).—"Hess' flight indicates a realisation within the Nazi hierarchy that Germany is unable to win the war against civilisation," said the Acting Prime Minister, Mr A. W. Fadden, to-day.

"The German radio is right. Hess has been suffering from a disease which has been brewing for years. He was, but not now. The disease is Nazism which has done more harm to the world in less than 10 years than all the scourges in history."

Mr Fadden added that millions of Nazis, deluded with false promises, must now be occupied with a single idea. "If this is what Hess thinks of the war, what are we to think?"

In the opinion of Mr W. M. Hughes, Minister for the Navy, "the flight indicates the first crack in the granite of the Nazi temple."

Old Nurse's Views

CAIRO, May 13 (Reuter).—"I refuse to believe that Rudy is insane: there is either a serious Nazi split or else he has formed a far-reaching plan," declared Frau Paula, the old nurse of Rudolf Hess, in an exclusive interview with "Reuter."

Frau Paula added: "I nursed him until he was a grown-up boy. He was broadminded, of strong character and extremely honest. From early childhood, he has wanted German invincibility and has always fought for top place whether at school or elsewhere."

"He often used to discuss important political questions with his father."

Russo-German Relations

WASHINGTON, May 13 (Reuter).—A theory is held here by a number of officials that Hess and Hitler fell out on the question of Russia and Russo-German relations.

Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, announced this morning that official dispatches had been received of Hess.

Nephew In U.S. Army

BRISTOL, Va., May 13 (Reuter).—Gustav Adolf Hess, nephew of Rudolf Hess, is now serving with a United States anti-aircraft battery in the Panama Canal Zone.

His father, Gustav, brother of Rudolf, died in the United States in 1920.

Frau Hess in Germany

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—The announcement from London that Hess will be removed to a secret detention is described in German circles as "interesting."

Berlin political circles feel certain that Mr Churchill will use the affair for the "vildest purposes of propaganda," according to a semi-official statement issued here.

Frau Hess and her children are in Germany, states a message from Berlin, denying reports that they are in Ankara.

Mass Air Attacks On Fleet Fail

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barrage and at "cease fire" a thick wet fog suddenly descended.

No Casualties

We suffered no casualties or damage.

The engagement occurred during the seven days' routine operations in the Central Mediterranean during which convoys were successfully made in various directions, light force bombers brought harbour and the Fleet Air Arm shot down seven enemy aircraft in various minor attempts by Axis aviators against our ships.

All pay tribute to the untiring and magnificent work of the Fleet Air Arm in driving off formations while still several miles distant from the Fleet.

A Week's Work

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter).—Two bombardments of Benghazi, which have already been announced and various convoy movements have been carried out by British naval units operating in the Central Mediterranean during the period, May 6-12.

An Admiralty communique states that during these operations nine enemy aircraft were shot down and one was damaged, while two British fighters were lost.

Despite the usual exaggerated claims by the enemy, no damage of any sort was sustained by the British ships during these operations. Thus, adds the communique, during the period from May 6 to 12, British naval forces in the Mediterranean have destroyed a total of 10 enemy aircraft and damaged at least six others.

Enemy Loses Planes

LONDON, May 13 (UP).—An Admiralty communique states that nine enemy planes were destroyed, and at least one other damaged during an enemy air attack on the British fleet in the Central Mediterranean during the week ending last Monday, while the fleet was engaged in convoy movements, and the two previously announced bombardments of Benghazi.

The communique declared that two British fighters were lost. Despite the usual exaggerated claims of the enemy, no damage of any sort was sustained by His Majesty's ships during these operations.

Sold Torpedo To U.S.

Inventor Found Shot

Colonel Michael Borislavsky, formidable-looking White Russian, told his friends that he had sold a new torpedo that he had been working on for months to the American War Department. It would mean £100,000 to him, he said.

He was so excited about the news that he could not sleep. So he went out for a walk. A doctor, driving along St. Nicholas-terrace, New York, found him dead, shot through one eye.

Police could not find the bullet that had passed through the colonel's head. Their only clue is an anonymous warning that the colonel received in his mail three years ago.

Gold-Bearing Fish Found

Reminiscent of some of Ripley's "Believe It or Not" tales, a Japanese restaurant in Hongkong, Japanese-occupied section of Shanghai's International Settlement, is reported to have bought a frozen fish containing 13 ounces of gold in its stomach.

Japanese gendarmes officials, to whom the gold was turned over, believe that the gold was part of a small fortune smuggled from Chefoo into Shanghai by some Chinese.

The gold was discovered while Mr Sato, proprietor of the restaurant, set about preparing a succulent dish of raw fish lovers. Slicing open the stomach, Mr Sato encountered a hard substance, and then to his astonishment drew out three pieces of gold, each neatly labelled with its weight.

AMAH IN \$500 BANKNOTE CASE

Wong Shun, 23, amah, was charged before Mr H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning with larceny of a \$500 Hongkong and Shanghai banknote from Lo Siu-sun, 26, building engineer, at No. 23 Cheung Sha Wan Road, third floor, on May 12.

It was stated that Defendant had been employed by Complainant as an amah for ten days. On May 10 Complainant had two \$500 banknotes in his money-box. Two days later he saw that only one banknote remained. As his servant was the only other person living in the house he suspected her and took her to Sham Shui Po Police Station. A Police search in Complainant's house revealed the stolen \$500 banknote in a cigarette tin belonging to Defendant.

As Defendant denied larceny of the banknote, the charge was amended to receiving stolen property.

The case was adjourned for 24 hours for a witness whom Defendant accused of being the thief, to give evidence.

Det.-Sgt A. Shaw prosecuted.

Cool Thief Ends In Harbour

One month's hard labour was imposed on Man Kam-hing, 23, unemployed, by Mr G. T. Lowry at Central Magistrate's court this morning, for larceny of a gold finger-ring from Ho Kwai-hin, at No. 308 Queen's Road Central, on Tuesday.

Det.-Acting Sub-Inspector F. Nolan said that Defendant went into No. 308 Queen's Road Central which was a jewellery shop, and asked to see some rings. A gold ring was shown to Defendant whereupon he put it on his finger and walked out of the shop. He was chased and jumped into the harbour to avoid arrest. However, finding himself unable to swim far, Defendant clung to a sampan and was later arrested.

Looking After Retailers

LONDON, May 13 (British Wire).—The President of the Board of Trade announced to-day the appointment of a Committee to advise him on problems confronting retail traders.

The Committee's terms of reference will be "to examine the present problems of retail trade in goods other than food, having regard both to the immediate needs of the conduct of the war and to the position after the war, and to report."

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